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Synopsis:

Hiiragi Seiichi is an ugly, revolting, dirty, smelly fatass; these are the insults hurled at him one after another about his appearance. Such was Seiichi's daily school life of bullying, then for some reason, one day when school was out, a voice claiming to be a God said over the PA system to prepare to be transported to another world. What's more, not Seiichi alone, but the entire school. A fantasy world where game-like elements such as as levels, stats, and skills exist. However, the God still had preparations to complete for the transfer, and would send them over as soon as the hero summoning ritual was ready. The classes all formed groups to wait for the transfer, but Seiichi alone was discluded and as such was summoned to a different area. After being transported the first thing Seiichi ate was the "Fruit of Evolution". This would come to greatly change his life ----

This story is about how Seiichi went from being severely bullied by his classmates, even not being recognized for his accomplishments, and despite all that staying positive and surviving in this new world. As a result, he somehow becomes one of the champions. (Also the first heroine is a Gorilla?!)

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1. 異世界へ

To a New World

(Note: Names are presented in Japanese format, Surname then Given Name)

My name is Hiiragi Seiichi. An 11th grader attending a unique high school.

I say unique, but not because there are espers or aliens like in manga.

It’s a so-called Idol training school...or something like that.

As you would expect, famous school girl Idols and Johnny boys attend the school I'm enrolled at.

So of course I'm Idol material too, right? Wrong. Absolutely wrong.

Thankfully I'm not bald, but I'm unsightly and have terrible body odor.

The odor is so bad, in fact, that no one dares sit near my seat. Not only the students, even the teachers feel the same, so there's nothing I can do.

And so, because I'm surrounded by handsome guys and beautiful girls, I have become so famous everyone knows me. ...Not in the good way, mind you.

On top of that, lately I've started getting fat, going from 70kg (150lb) when I enrolled, and ballooning to 100kg (220lb). Even I've come to regard my ugliness as hopeless.

Due to the death of my parents and then living over-indulgently, I put on a lot of weight. Without my parents, I had no one to show me the way or help me make good decisions. You reap what you sow. Mom, Dad, I'm so sorry.

In regards to my appearance, I've already given up - but the only thing I

really can't stand about myself is my name.

I mean, the name Seiichi sounds and looks cool and all, but because it's completely at odds with my appearance, I can't help but feel I've lost to my own name. Enough to want to prostrate myself before the world and apologize.

I wonder if it's because I'm like this? I know full well I'll get bullied when I go to school. It might not be an exaggeration to say that's just how this generation works.

So then, why am I even at a school like this? Is what you would ask next.

The reason would simply be because it's close to my house, and you don't need to be smart to be able to enroll in an Idol training school. Even an ordinary guy like me can attend.

Pretty dumb of me, right? Laugh all you want! I have reflected on it, and fully regret it!

But really, because I wanted a convenient and hassle-free enrollment, I have been helplessly bullied. Although, I probably would have been bullied no matter where I went to high school.

Though I’m prattling on and on in this endless seeming monologue, there is good reason for it.

This monologue is to help me calm myself down.

And why would I do such a thing?

Let's go back in time a bit, shall we----

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"Hey pig~! Go buy us some bread~!"

"With your own damn money of course~"

Gyahahahahaha!

That laughter belonged to several male students who called me out behind the gym during the lunch break, forcibly so.

Just because one has good looks doesn't necessarily mean they have a good personality too. But the people attending this school are amazing...as national Idols, they have good looks and good personalities. They even talk to me like a normal person.

However, they only use me to make themselves look better.

In the end they force me to go buy bread for them with my own money, and after that they use me as sandbag to relieve their stress.

"That's the stuff~!"

"Gah!"

One of them struck me right in the stomach.

"Agh! Ugh!"

"Haha~! This is seriously great~! I feel, like, all refreshed~!"

"Ah, looks like the next class is starting soon."

"Man, already that time? Then let's split. Later, pig~!"

The male students laughed as they left.

"Urrgh...!"

Enduring the intense pain, I somehow got on my feet only to have my knees buckle and topple over.

"Haaah....haaah....."

I grimace and wait for the pain to go away.

"Hi-Hiiragi-kun?!"

One of the female students came to check on me.

"A-are you okay?"

She had natural brown hair that reached all the way down her back, and a headband on her head. Both of her big eyes were brown, and her luscious lips were tinged with pink.

The girl who anxiously peeked at my face was the most beautiful girl in school. Hino Youko from the class next door.

Not caring about my odor, she was one of very few people who really treated me like a normal human being.

"Can you stand?"

"Ah, aaaah...."

With no hesitation she took the hand of someone like me, and I can’t help but think she's a really nice person.

By the way, I'm not stupid enough to misunderstand her intentions in this small act of kindness. Looking the way I do, I know all too well. Don't make me say it!

"Hiiragi-kun, what happened?"

"...It's nothing you need to worry about, Hino. Actually, shouldn't you be heading to your classroom, aren't you gonna be late?"

"Ah...right. That's true, but..."

"Then hurry and go. Besides, you shouldn't be seen with me."

"Why not?"

"Because people will misunderstand and gossip. Also, I don't want to drag you into my problems."

"Eh?"

Saying that, I force my aching body to walk ahead of Hino.

Hino is genuinely worried about me, but if she bothers with me too much, I'm the one that will be troubled. Of course, that's why she's so popular, and because I don't want to involve her in my troubles, I brush her off.

Thus classes resumed, and at the end of the day when school was over and people started to head home, that's when it happened.

Ding-don-dan-dong.

An announcement broadcast suddenly began.

❝Attention all students, please cease all activity and be seated.❞

What a cryptic broadcast.

Everyone stopped for a moment and tilted their heads, wondering what impending announcement would require them to sit.

"Wha?!"

"M-my body is-?!"

Even me, while getting ready to go despite my pain, suddenly an invisible force made me sit down.

"What's going on...?"

I mutter to myself and try to stand----

"Uhg, I can't move?!"

"What's happening?!"

It's like I'm glued to the chair, I can't get off!

No matter how much I struggle I can't get it to budge.

I really am glued to the chair.

Everyone in the classroom is anxious about the situation, then the broadcast starts up again.

❝'Sup guys? I am what you would call a ≪God≫.❞

A mysterious voice that could not be identified as male, female, young, or old, came through the PA system.

❝Looks like everyone is confused about what's going on right now. When mystifying things happen, you humans tend to freak out. This is why humans are such laughable and pitiful creatures.❞

What the hell is this voice talking about? Calling itself a God?

Under normal circumstances, if someone seriously said that, you'd think they were nuts.

However, right now some unknown power has forced us all to sit, to the point that we can't even move. There's not even anything visibly tying us down.

That's why I'm starting to believe this broadcasting God is for real.

❝It's too annoying to explain every little detail to you humans, so I'll keep it short.❞

The voice from the PA system then took on a jovial tone.

❝Soon you will all be taken from Earth to different world----a【New World】.❞

"…" "…" "…"

Everyone was left speechless with those words.

Someone managed to regain their senses and opened their mouth to say something, but no words came out.

Everyone who saw that became apprehensive, then the voice in the PA system continued.

❝Ah, I forgot to mention, I don't want you fussing over every little thing I say, so I have temporarily disabled your ability to speak.❞

With that remark, I completely believe in this entity calling itself a ≪God≫. Rather, there's nothing else it could be.

This is impossible. This is beyond impossible.

❝Back to what I was saying, there's a good reason you're being taken to another world...Earth's population has increased too much, you see. You humans are living too willy-nilly~. The Earth is crying out, and it would be dangerous to have more of you running around. That's why Gods like me are taking matters into our own hands and shipping y'all off to other worlds, all to save the Earth.❞

An image comes to mind of the God nodding in self-satisfaction as if everything now makes sense.

❝I'm being quite benevolent you know? I could just wipe you off the face of the Earth with no explanation whatsoever. But, I took it upon myself to let you live and be transferred to another world. You better be thankful~❞

...Getting on a high horse about yourself...

❝So the world I'm sending you to is what you would call a 'Fantasy World'...or maybe a 'Game or RPG-like world' is a better way to phrase it. Anyway, that's where you're going. I say 'Fantasy' because there's things like demons there, and of course, magic. However, since things like

science and technology are not in use, worse than being simply inconvenienced, modern-day kids like you will be in serious danger in this world, m'kay?❞

Are you serious? I'd rather just be erased than impulsively sent to my doom...

❝Since the other world is so dangerous there is no worry of it becoming overpopulated, so I don't have to be so 'hands on' over there. Since it's not a world Gods actively mess with, don't expect any miracles to occur. But fear not for you will have Levels, Skills, and Attributes, so have some fun with it. In your new world you will be far superior beings than you are now, and your attributes will reflect your new extraordinary selves. And so you can leave with no regrets, I'll be erasing any memory of you from your family and the world at large.❞

Oh well now, that just makes everything hunky-dorey. At least no one will think I'm dead.

But will erasing our existence from our family's memory really leave us with no regrets? Of course it doesn't really concern me since my parents are dead...

❝You check out the attributes I allocated for you on a summonable menu. You can bring it out as often as you like just by imagining it, being stored in an item box in your own personal pocket space. And, so that you don't run into trouble, I've also given you a language comprehension ability for the other world and the 'Analyze' skill as a present. It's important to look at this positively, okay? You are all very fortunate that you get to go to another world after all. There are other groups of people that will be transported as well. And just like that you'll be transported from this school. Obviously not with the building itself. Oh, that's right! You can also check things like skills and titles from the menu screen too.❞

It's a lot to take in... apparently we're lucky we get to go somewhere like

another world? And every single person in school, to boot! My school has a total of 800 students, a fair amount of people. And on top of that, even more people will be sent to this other world.

Still...it was called a 'present', but aren't those abilities normally required in this situation? That language comprehension ability, if you didn't have it you could wreck yourself being unable to communicate with others.

I don't know about the skills or titles or whatever, but I'm happy for that ‘Analyze’ ability. It seems like it'd be useful when eating unknown foods.

❝Well, this is as far as I go. I’ve still got a lot of work to do. Lastly, I'll give you an hour to prepare yourselves. If you form groups, you can be transported to a safe spot. If you're alone...I can't guarantee anything.❞

After saying so, the broadcast came to an end.

We could once again move our bodies and get out of our chairs.

Yet everyone still remained motionless.

The God was right about humans, when the unfathomable occurs, all of us fall into disorder and anger. Though on the other hand, in times of real trouble, we are able to remain perfectly calm.

Perhaps that's why everyone remained abnormally quiet.

Even though we were able to move again, not a single person stirred.

After a bit of time passed, a lone student, Aoyama Hiroki, took action.

"H-hey guys! For now let's check out the current situation."

Aoyama wasn't an Idol, but the captain of the Soccer team. He was pretty popular among the girls.

"First, the other people...if that broadcast is for real everyone in this school is gonna be transported. Does the classroom door open? Better check the windows too."

The students seated near the windows and doors quickly checked if they could be opened.

"No good, it won't open. It's not even locked, but..."

Everyone eventually came to the same conclusion, then Aoyama nodded once.

"Everything is pointing to that broadcast being real..."

He propped his chin on his hand in a Thinker pose.

"...I got it! If that broadcast is true, we should be able to check out our stats..."

"Eh? Aren't we only able to do that in the other world?"

"It's just theory. The teachers should still be in the faculty room, so we should check it out now while we have the chance. For now...Status!"

The broadcast said you only have to imagine it, but Aoyama still yelled it out like an activation phrase.

When he did, a semi-transparent card appeared in front of him.

"It...it really appeared!”

Aoyama took hold of it and examined it immediately.

"I get it now...it really is like game stats. Everyone, see for yourselves!"

Following his suggestion, everyone brought up their own status card to inspect.

That's the jist of the situation. I was thankful everyone was so absorbed in their own little worlds.

I followed suit and checked out my own stats.

≪Hiiragi Seiichi≫

Race: Barely Human

Gender: Disgusting Male

Occupation: Scum of Society (Unemployed)

Age: 17

Level: 1

Magic: 17

Strength: 1

Defense: 1

Agility: 1

Magic Attack: 1

Magic Defense: 1

Luck: 0

Charisma: Immeasurable (way too low)

≪Equipment≫

Dirty school uniform, Dirty school trousers, Dirty undershirt, Dirty underwear.

≪Skills≫

Analyze

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Is this harassment?!

What the hell is 'Barely Human'?! Are you saying I'm so gross you can't even tell if I'm a person?!

And a gender of 'Disgusting Male'...just say 'Male'! 'The fuck did you add 'Disgusting' for?!

Also aren't these stats too low?! And Charisma being 'immeasurable'!? Making it sound misleading and putting a bad connotation in parenthesis! And that's not really a zero for luck is it?!

And why does all my equipment have to start with 'Dirty'?! Is my body really that dirty?! You’re gonna make me cry here! These stupid stats are just a list of insults!

My occupation is 'Scum of society' you say, I don't even have an occupation! In the first place, I'm not unemployed, I'm a fucking student! Are you fucking kidding me?!

Well I guess I'm just a lost cause, aren't I?! Whaddaya want me to do? Just die? You want me to just lay down and die right now?!

...Haaah...haaah...

...There're too many comebacks to make...!

As if my bad stats weren't enough, listening to those around me made it even worse.

"My occupation is a swordsman!"

"Looks like I've become a Sage?"

"All my stats are 100, isn't that awesome~?"

"Ah, mine are 100 too."

....what, seriously?!

Everyone else's starting stats are 100?! That's 100 times mine!! I'm already beyond help...!

The difference between me and everyone else is depressing.

Why is the difference in status this cruel... There's no clear explanation behind my stat distribution. I don't even really want to know why.

"Alright. Seems like everyone's seen it. Then next we should form groups. There's not much time left..."

After Aoyama finished I looked at the clock, which thankfully was still working, and it had already been 50 minutes since the broadcast ended.

"There doesn't seem to be a limit on how many people can be in a group. The broadcast didn't mention it at least. So if everyone joins a group we shouldn't have to worry about being in danger. I'm not sure how to go about making the groups though..."

Aoyama then started muttering to himself.

Suddenly the semi-transparent card appeared in front of him once again.

"Ooh...I wonder if you can register the names of group members here... Yes! Okay, everyone say your name one at a time.!"

After making that discovery, everyone in class starting gathering around Aoyama and getting their names registered with him.

If I don't register with everyone else, I know I'll be the first to die.

So I went where everyone else was gathered around Aoyama and said,

"R-register me too!"

But all I got back was a cold gaze.

"Huh? Is that how you ask someone nicely?"

"Eh?"

"Why should we let you in our group?"

"I-I just...at this rate I'll be all alone..."

"Stay alone then. While you're at it, go die, you pig. And back off, you reek."

I was speechless.

No way...I'm still being bullied even in this kind of situation?!

All my other classmates are looking at me like I'm garbage, some are even sneering at me.

I've been forsaken. There was no one in this class that normally interacted with me.

Seriously, today is just not my day...my luck being zero was all too true.

While thinking that, the class stared at me like they were observing some lesser creature, and then someone started laughing sardonically.

"Wai...! Bahahahaha! Oh God, my stomach~"

"Hey hey, you okay, bro?"

Everyone was looking at this guy, puzzled by his sudden laughter.

"I-I mean look...! This guy, his stats are total shit!"

"?!"

H-how did he know?! No one else should have seen!

Did he read my mind? Let's see, that laughing guy...I think it was Ooki, he was grinning and laughing.

"Lemme tell you something. That broadcast before told us to check our stats, and gave us the 'Analyze' skill as a present. And then...Ahahahahahah!"

Did he say Analyze?! Seriously?!

Following up on Ooki's observation, everyone checked me out while looking disgusted.

And then----

"Ahahahahahaha!"

Everyone started laughing.

"No way...no freaking way!"

"T-there're all 1...!"

"He's dead...this guy is so dead...!"

Far from being pitied, they all looked as if they'd found a fun toy to play with.

"You would totally slow us down! Who the hell would want you in their group?! Heeheehee!"

"Yikes...he really is scum, this guy..."

"'Scum of Society'...suits you perfectly!"

They all made fun of me and mocked me.

I also covertly used "Analyze" on Aoyama, but what I saw only made me more depressed.

〖Due to the difference in power, the Analysis is incomplete〗

After that message, the only bit of information I could glean from the Analysis was Aoyama's name. The rest of the stats were garbled and unreadable.

In other words, despite us all being level 1, there was a disparaging difference in power between me and them.

I had no redeeming qualities on this Earth, inferior to other humans, and even in the next world my powers were the lowest possible rank.

My vision darkened.

Not giving a shit about my well being, my classmates drove me into a corner.

"Get lost, trash!"

"Why is he even in our class?"

"Openly bullying someone on Earth is a crime, but it won't matter once we get to the other world, right?"

"Seriously, just go die."

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TL Note : Yes, there’s multiple lines… of just “die” - Sarah, ...those assholes - Solistia

Shut the fuck up!! I can already feel the word "Die" tearing me apart.

What the fuck?! These bastards! Just how much do you want me to die?! No way, I'm not dying! That's terrifying!

I went ballistic. I didn't give a shit about anything anymore.

Thank God they didn't let me in their group. If I was, the bullying would only get worse.

Let's get positive. Yes indeed.

"Eyuck...he's grinning..."

"Uber creepy..."

Just how far are you planning to go with your bullying?! Is there no end?!

In the end I didn't join a group, and the one hour came to an end.

Then the broadcast resumed.

Ding-don-dan-dong.

❝Looks like everyone got into a group...except for one of you.❞

Eh, I'm the only one by myself?! Only me?!

❝It's because of such trivial quarrels even in these kinds of situations that humans will never grow...Ah, I got off track. First off, I need to apologize to all of you, I guess.❞

A-apologize? For what?

❝If you all formed groups I was gonna place you in a relatively safe place, but a certain country in the world you're going to has started a Hero Summoning ritual.❞

H-hero summoning?

❝Thanks to that, the entire school will be summoned together. It's like they intentionally sabotaged my own means of transportation...still, the loner will probably fall through the cracks of the summoning.❞

Fall through...?! Amidst everyone else being summoned together, I'm the only one that’s going somewhere else?!

❝Anyway, a Demon Lord kinda guy has appeared in the world you're going to, so you'll be in more danger than previously planned. Therefore, you guys will likely arrive in the middle of a conflict. Since you won't have time to gain knowledge about the world, I've added a book to your item box that contains basic knowledge about the world. I can't interfere beyond that. This is the most I can do.❞

You gotta be kidding me?! Isn't a God supposed to be all powerful...?

And that's crazy having to go into battle immediately just because of a Hero Summoning. It might be a good thing I'm alone...nah, that's a lie. I'll be lonely by myself.

❝Oh my...it seems the ritual has begun...❞

As the voice over the PA system said, all the classmates I could see had something like a magic circle appear below their feet.

❝Sorry you're being whisked off so suddenly guys. I pray for your success. Good luck in your new world!❞

With the broadcast over, the class started turning into particles of light and disappeared one by one.

In the midst of that, they all sneered at me as they disappeared. There really is no end...

And finally everyone appeared to have been summoned away.

"....."

...Huh, what about me?!

I may not have been part of the Hero Summoning, but I should have been transported somewhere, right?

As if noticing my increasing impatience, the God spoke through the PA

system again.

❝Now now, patience please. You will be sent off. But since you're by yourself I have no control over where you'll end up, you see? It's random.❞

"What?"

❝In other words, you're not necessarily going to a safe place, it could even be really dangerous.❞

"Are you kidding me?"

Crap, I forgot...I'm the guy with zero luck. I can already see where this is going...

While I was having my pity party, the voice on the PA system had this to say,

❝Yep, I mean it's kind of amazing in a way that you're the only one left in the entire school. Even the teachers were taken by the summoning ritual. And so I have decided to give you just one more skill.❞

"Eh?"

❝Now what would be best...Ah, this is a good one.【Absolute Disassembly】...my last present to you.❞

"A-Absolute Disassembly?"

W-what is that? That pretentiously named skill...

❝It's getting a bit ahead of ourselves, but like the【Analyze】skill you can use it without any risk. It's not like magic where you have to consume magic power to use it, it's a completely free and handy skill to use. You can try it out when you get to the new world, m'kay?❞

"R-right...."

❝Oh, seems like your transfer is at hand.❞

“Ah…”

Like the voice said, at some point my body became wrapped in light particles.

❝Heh heh, well then, good luck to you as well in the new world!❞

"Yeah, sure."

❝I pray for your success.❞

And then I disappeared completely from the Earth.

This is where my adventure begins...!

...Ah sorry, forget that last part.

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With the school now barren, the broadcast still continued.

❝Man, humans are truly ugly... They really embody the seven deadly sins of the scriptures. Greed, Pride, Wrath, Gluttony, Lust, Envy, Sloth....They never improve themselves. That's why they run around rampant until the Earth is about to scream.❞

The voice was devoid of any emotion.

❝Who does the Earth belong to? Humans? Not even. Humans are just creatures that live on the surface of the Earth. Having unsightly wars, all to obtain territory and resources. The crusades were no different. They're all just bothering the Earth.❞

Up to that point the words were emotionless, but next they took on a jovial tone.

❝After being so thoroughly rejected, he didn't let his heart blacken. I'm impressed. Doesn't seem like he's out for revenge either... Well, if you take a closer look at it, I guess it's more like he gave in and gave up?❞

The voice laughed a bit.

❝If humans were really beyond salvation, we never would have created them in the first place. Sometimes humans like him come along, showing us humans can be ugly and endearing.❞

The voice was brimming with affection just like a loving mother.

❝I guess we'll watch over and guide humanity a while longer. I hope there is happiness in the future---❞

After that, the voice never spoke over the PA system again.

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"Huh, where am I?"

I...Hiiragi Seiichi, have landed in some unknown forest.

It'd be nice if a city were close by....

But first, I should check out my surroundings.

----And now we return to the beginning of the story.

"I can't calm down at all!"

I tried talking to myself to regain my composure but it didn't work! God dammit!

"...Well it's not doing me any good sticking around here."

Once I did finally calm down, I decided to get out of there.

After all, nothing will change if I just keep standing around here.

Once again I investigate the vicinity and find myself in the middle of a dense and overgrown forest, which is quite frankly, creepy.

"F-feels like something could pop out any...minute?"

I was super jumpy as I continued forward.

Unknowingly, my words seem to have triggered some kind of event---

2. 進化の実

The Seed of Evolution

After being transported, all I've done is wander aimlessly through this forest. I've spent the better part of an hour doing so. I had no choice but to empty my bladder in the middle of a thicket, and even after that I still did nothing but wander aimlessly.

And now my feet were at their limit. I wasn't even wearing proper shoes, you know? I left my outdoor shoes in my locker...! I only had my flimsy indoor shoes on me.

Besides, it's harsh for a fatty to walk in a forest for an hour. Can't I do anything about this? No, probably not.

"...and man, I'm starved..."

I was insanely famished. How much longer do I gotta walk in circles? The hunger was gnawing at me.

"I-is there anything that looks edible..."

After I said that I looked all around the vicinity, and I didn't even see one insect, let alone any animals. There weren't even any nuts, berries, or mushrooms.

"Oh no, am I gonna die of starvation? ...This can't be!"

It was hard to keep my stress under control all by myself.

"Motherfuckin'...fooooooooooood!"

I kinda felt like yelling, so I did. Even so, it didn't calm me down.

"Foood! Gimme some fooooooooooood!"

I scream my lungs out. It was even kinda fun. But it's probably too late.

As I was doing stupid things, there was a sudden rustling in the thicket.

"Is it food?!"

I thought aloud and hurried to the thicket.

"Graaaaaawr..."

"...OH SHIT..."

There was a huge-ass wolf right in front of me.

"Arooooooooo..."

"I'm sorry!! Forgive me!!"

I have no idea why, but I was prostrating myself in front of this wolf.

What else was I supposed to do?! There's a 5m(15ft)-long gray wolf right here! Scaring the shit out of me with its hungry eyes! It gets even scarier when I see the fangs peeking out behind its lips!

I'm fuckin' scared! That's why I'm prostrating myself. It kinda seems like it might forgive me...?

"Graaaawr!"

"Figures...?!"

In the end my prostration was useless, and the wolf was ready to pounce me.

Since I was already prostrated on the ground I rolled as hard as I could, and somehow dodged the attack.

"Eeek! Jesus Fuckin' Christ!!"

Shit, I just got to this world. Good thing I already peed...! Otherwise I would have pissed myself!

"Graaaaaw..."

The wolf seemed surprised that I was able to dodge, and cautiously kept its distance.

But it appeared that rather than looking at me as 'prey', it was thinking more along the lines of 'what is this thing?', like a curious baby who had to mouth everything.

I mean, it looks like the wolf's eyes are full of curiosity, though I have no idea why.

Yeesh, I was the one looking for food, now I'm suddenly gonna be the food...someone help me!

As if my wish was granted, I could hear a rustling from the thicket on the other side.

"Is it my savior?!"

My tension was maxxed as I turned to look behind me.

"Graaaaawr...."

"...OH SHIT..."

That was the second "OH SHIT" of the day.

This sucks so bad! Already a second encounter?! I gotta get out of here! I am so dead!

"Hey! If you're gonna eat then do it already! ...Please be gentle?"

I laid face up, arms out, and legs spread eagle.

But---

"Graaoo graw!"

"Graaaawr...Awoon!"

For some reason the other wolf was picking a fight.

"Awoowoowoo!"

"Gruaawr!"

I try my hand at translating.

"<Gimme that fooood!>"

"<Nevaaaaaaar!">

Or something like that, probably.

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"...Better run."

While the wolves were preoccupied with each other, I took the chance to quietly escape.

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"T-this sucks..."

Grumblerumble

My stomach has been yelling at me for a while now.

I somehow managed to avoid the Dead-End where I'm eaten by wolves. I've spent the last 3 days sleeping in a tree I somehow managed to climb, and hid desperately from wolves and the like.

I can't even drink water in this situation.

I barely have the energy to move anymore, much less climb a tree.

Again today there was no sign of creatures to eat, and I aimlessly searched for nuts, berries, and mushrooms.

"...Am I really...gonna die?"

I'm known as the guy who always stays positive, but right now I'm feeling nothing but depressed.

I'm a fatty, enduring 5 days without food is tough.

Worst case scenario, I could eat the weeds growing around here and munch on the overgrown leaves. Even dirt would be better than nothing. I just want something in my mouth.

"...Ah, this bites..."

Right as I said that my energy fully depleted, and I face-planted on the ground.

"....."

My face hurt like a bitch, but I didn’t have time to care about it.

"Man, if I don't get some food quick I'll..."

I hurriedly moved just my head and bit a chunk of the ground.

"Geh?!"

S-so hard...

I couldn't sink my teeth in at all, the ground was so hard.

"It's all...over..."

I mumbled. It was finally time for me to close my eyes.

“...mm?”

I could hear some creatures making a racket.

The noise seemed headed in my direction.

"----Eee!"

"--Eee eee eee!"

"Graaawr!"

I casually glanced in the direction of the sounds.

What I saw was a troop of monkeys running like mad while carrying an armload of fruits and nuts each. They were being chased by wolves, likely the same ones I evaded five days ago.

“Eee! Ee oo ee!”

“Gya gya gya!”

“Graaooooooooo!”

I heard something fall.

The monkeys paid me no heed as they passed by overhead.

And it sounded like they dropped something.

“Hahahahaha!”

The wolf was distracted by the monkeys and ran right past me.

“W-what is it?”

Even though I wondered, I didn't have enough brain power to process it, I was that exhausted.

"At least...if eating it is gonna kill me, that'd be better than starvation, right?"

I unconsciously ask myself.

But since I’m alone there was no answer.

“Haha….”

Somehow a natural smile floated to my face

Looking back on it, I didn’t have a very good life.

I was already being bullied in kindergarten. Then Elementary school, Middle school, and even into High school it continued.

I was bullied in a lot of ways. I was beaten, my possessions hidden, subjected to vandalism, got water dumped on me...and even more vicious acts.

Despite all that, I managed to remain positive, probably because there were still people out there that treated me like a human being.

It may not have been a very good life. But, the people who treated my kindly, conversed with me, played with me, touched me even... The greatest treasure in my lousy life was that "Friendship" that always remained a part of me.

Hino from the class next door was like that. Along with Shouta and Kenji. Even though our classes and grade levels were different, Kannazuki-sempai and Miwa too... There were plenty of other people in the same school that treated me normally too.

None of them treated me as something less than human. It's a possibility they just did that to make themselves look better. But...I was still happy they treated me like a normal person.

And I got along well with my family. Though after Mom and Dad passed away, relations with my relatives became worse over the inheritance...

So I chose to live alone and to protect my inheritance. Uncle Ichio ended up becoming my legal guardian though.

In the end I used my parent's inheritance to do whatever I wanted, and became fat and ugly...it's entirely my own fault.

It wasn't my life that was all that lousy, it was myself.

"Hahaha...I'm really running on empty..."

So this is what dying feels like...I don't like it. At all.

If I died, I wonder if anyone will cry...or be sad?

I think the world of my friends, but I don't want it to be a one way street.

"But...I guess...if I'm dead...it won't...matter..."

As I was slowly losing consciousness, I looked toward what had dropped.

"...Haha...a tree nut, fell..."

With my vision getting hazy, I saw the nut that had fallen by the wayside.

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.....eh, tree nut?

“?!”

I was suddenly fully conscious.

“I-it’s really a nut.”

Yes, what landed before my eyes is an honest to God, nut.

I have no idea what kind of nut it is.

But it was light brown and shaped like a rugby ball, it couldn’t be anything but a nut.

A tree nut. A real tree nut.

It's just what I've been waiting for.

F-O-O-D!

“Fooooooooooooooooooooooooooood!”

I had been on the edge of Hell itself, now I was crawling across the ground for all I was worth.

I had no idea where this last burst of energy came from.

But even so, I clawed the ground while crawling forward.

My goal, the nut right in front of me.

Was it my survival instinct kicking in? I could see nothing but the foodstuff as I crawled on without shame or care.

“ooooOOOOOO!!”

And then---my hand finally touched the nut.

“!”

I grasp the nut tightly. I seize it.

This is my food now. I won't give it to anyone else. ...Even if it was originally the weird monkey's food.

I gripped it with unusual strength.

I then hold it up in front of my face.

My nails were bleeding from gripping the ground so hard. It actually hurt pretty bad.

But other than that, I was too captivated by the food.

Just to be absolutely certain, I use the "Analyze" skill on the tree nut.

[Seed of Evolution]

The Analysis could only reveal the name.

There is some information about an effect, but like the time I Analyzed Aoyama, it was all garbled and unreadable.

But at least it didn't seem poisonous. Then there's only one course of action left for me to take.

"...Time to eat!"

With every bit of my strength, I munch on that so-called Seed of Evolution whatsit.

It looked like a light brown rugby ball, and I thought it would be hard and taste like an almond.

However----

"It...tastes like shit..."

It was a terribly awful taste.

Unnaturally so.

Man, why was that monkey even making this part of its diet? Is there

something wrong with its tastebuds?

But it's still precious food. I won't complain. I eat the whole thing.

Normally, I would have stopped eating it, but right now I devour it without a second thought.

As I was eating, I noticed something.

"...My nails...healed?"

Yes, at some point, my nails that were bent and broken had completely healed.

And even though I only ate just one Seed of Evolution, my stomach was feeling full.

And then I finally finished eating the rest.

"Aaahh...that tasted terrible!"

I rubbed my belly as I said so.

〖The Seed of Evolution's effect has been activated〗

I heard a voice in my head say.

Wha? Effect? What kind of...

I thought something would happen, so I stayed still.

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"Nothing's happening?!"

Nothing happened at all.

Stop messing with me! I decide to check my stats just in case, but it's still just a beautiful line up of freaking 1s! You got something else to say?!

Well, I guess that means I don't have to worry over every single thing I eat. Right now I'm full and alive and should just appreciate those two things.

"Oookay...What'll I do now?"

If I just wander aimlessly again, it'll just be a repeat of before.

"At least I know creatures do live here. For now I should try to find where they live."

Those wolves are scary, but it could be okay to approach the strange monkeys.

Plus, I fear I'll probably die if I don't get a move on, which is the last thing I want.

I don't want to regret anything. I want to survive with my heart intact.

The first step is to get closer to the monkeys, find out their feeding grounds and secure a food source.

"Now that I know what to do...Mission start!"

I'm filled with determination to reach my goal of surviving this harsh place and getting food.

...But before that, I have some business to take care of. Since I’m about to shit myself!

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Smart monkey

"It's here!"

After eating the seed of evolution, I kept searching in the forest until I finally found the monkey's territory.

"Kii."

"Kyakkyakkya."

"Ukiiii."

The monkey seems quite pleased by the sight of the seeds of evolution I ate a little while ago.

"Let's analyze him."

Before, I wouldn't have been able to check him out.

However, right now, If I'm hidden in the bushes, it'll be alright.

I quickly used [Analyze].

Then, the monkey's name appeared in my view.

[Smart monkey Lv:120]

What the… ?

Saying his name is "Smart monkey" isn't quite right since when you translate it literally it was actually Wise Monkey.

But what's with that level!? 120!? A creature that powerful passing by so suddenly!? The margin with me is just ridiculous, not only I'm level 1, but all my stats excluding Magic are at level 1 as well.

That shocking level made me switch my sight toward him.

"…What am I supposed to do now?"

It was brewing some strange grass with water in something like an

earthenware mortar.

The smart monkey took the mixture and put it in a glass container.

The color of the mixture was that of a blue-ish green and didn't look like something that would be good to drink.

Seeing him use those tools so skillfully confirmed the "smart" part in his name.

As I thought that, the monkey suddenly started moving.

"Ukiii."

"Ukyakya."

"Kikiii."

Where is it going?

Should I follow it? Or should I stay here? It's probably going to come back to take that strange mixture he made and the seeds.

"Then, for now, I should probably content myself with what he left here."

I said so and waited quietly for the monkey to move.

And, after confirming that he was gone, I went to the place he was at a little while ago.

"First, let's add these seeds to my storage"

I take all the seeds of evolution I find and put them in my item box, after counting, I found out that there was 9 in total.

This is the first time I used my item box but it's quite convenient. If I want to store an item in there, I just have to wish for it and it gets in, it's quite easy to use.

"Wait… didn't that god say that he put a book with the necessary knowledge of this world inside the item box?"

Well, I do want to confirm this, but now is not the time, it would be quite troublesome if the monkey came back here "More importantly,

what is that mixture?"

That was the bottle with the blue-ish green liquid made by the monkey earlier, and it still didn't look consumable.

I picked up the bottle.

"The closer I look at it, the more disgusting it feels"

There are about four other bottles lying there. Next to them, the grass that seemed like the principal ingredient of the liquid was piled up. Then, Is this where the ingredients are taken? Is this the thing it's made of? Yes, that's probably it, it makes sense… I want to believe that's the only thing that was used.

Well, that doesn't really matter, what matters is the liquid itself.

"I should use my analyze on it"

As I said so, I used the skill [Analyze].

[First class recovery medicine]

"Huh!?"

I let out a surprised voice after reading the name.

This is a recovery medicine!? Moreover, a first class one? If it's that good for the body, why does it look so bad?!?

"Then, how about the grass?"

I used my analyze again.

[Special medical herb]

Oh, that's what it is, what a relief.

Well, it's probably all right since its effect can be easily guessed. (TLN: Remember, he can't analyze it completely) "This… I have to collect it."

And, immediately, I put the first class recovery medicine and the special medical herbs in my item box.

"How lucky, I made an unexpectedly good harvest."

Though the smart monkey was… frightening.

“I found quite a lot of it, is there any more in this neighborhood by any chance?”

If there is, I want to gather it even if it’s just a little. It’s a kind of insurance in case something bad happens.

“This thing… I should collect as much of it as possible, should I start looking somewhere else?”

That smart monkey found a really good place. There might be nuts and mushrooms in the surroundings too.

I started moving immediately after deciding on my next action.

“Well….”

I was having a staring game with the grass.

I was pulling grass from each place and examining my findings one by one with my [Analyze] but there was no satisfying result.

There was only regular grass that had neither any kind of effect nor any healing ability, in the contrary, it seemed to be quite dangerous for the stomach.

But that was a little while ago, right now, I was facing another problem.

“This… What is its effect?”

I was finally able to find some grass that reacted to my [Analyze].

But, what annoyed me was the thing that was written.

“Is there a problem with the translation? All I see is a [(?)]”

No explanation or name appeared when I used my [Analyze] but the only thing I saw was a [(?)], I don’t get it…

“Well, the analyze of the effect is unreadable but it will probably be all

right… Wait, will it really?"

Since it reacted to my [Analyze], there will be some sort of effect for sure.

"It will be all right."

I decided to eat this grass.

Though it might hurt my stomach, still, it doesn't say that it got a lasting effect. I'll probably get back to my normal state after some time.

To obtain something, you need to sacrifice something equivalent…. Even if it's my own body.

However, I have to do it if I want to get the information.

The worse case scenario would be that it's the kind of effect that doesn't appear immediately but appears at some random time in the future.

I got goosebumps when I realized that it could be poisonous.

"If I think too much about it, I'll probably end up not eating it."

While I still have some determination, I stuff my mouth with the grass at a dash, because I know that I'll get discouraged if I keep hesitating.

"…. Agghhhhhhhhhh"

I felt a horrible pain.

"DAMMIT DAMMIT, FUCKIN' PAIN, hughh….. But, maybe that's a sign that the healing is working?"

At the moment I try to be a little optimistic.

"What the!?"

My body stiffens and I become unable to move.

"ugugugugug" (TLN: I'm not good at sound effects) My whole body is paralyzed, I can't move it at all.

This… Was that the effect of the grass? Paralysis?!

But I'm definitely in a state of paralysis, well I think so…I don't know….

Everything is getting blank, dammit……!

“ugugugguh”

My voice is coming out strangely and I feel pain through every part of my stiffened body.

This kept going for a while.

Shit… if that monkey or that wolf comes now, I’m doomed.

However, until my paralysis was settled, nothing dangerous approached me, so I guess you could say that I was fortunate.

“Ah…”

I started recovering from the paralysis at last.

Let’s sum this up, the paralysis stayed for an hour and my whole body is in pain. That wolf monster did not attack so it probably didn’t see me.

“His strength matched the look on his face…”

I don’t want to meet with that stare a second time.

When I was feeling completely worn out, a voice suddenly appeared in my head.

[The Skill « paralysis resistance» was acquired.]

“What?”

The voice that suddenly appeared out of nowhere startled me, but what surprised me the most was the skill.

I opened my status and checked my skill column.

«Hiiragi Seiichi»

Race: It’s doubtful whether it’s an actual human being Gender: Disgusting fat smelly Male

Occupation: Homeless person with a wild natural vibe Age: 17

Level: 1

Magic: 17

Strength: 1

Defense: 1

Agility: 1

Magic Attack: 1

Magic Defense: 1

Luck: 0

Charisma: Immeasurable (way too low)

«Equipment»

Dirtiy school uniform, Dirty school trousers, Dirty undershirt, Dirty underwear.

«Skills»

Analyze, Absolute Disassembly, Paralysis resistance «State»

Evolution X 1

It became even worse!?

Shit… even my race is being doubted!

My gender also improved, In a bad way!

I don't even know if my occupation is better or worse than last time….

As for the charm, It became immeasurable, am I already too far gone astray?!

Though I'm already feeling bad enough, why is it that the name of my equipment makes me want to cry?

Because I can't even take a bath, the smell of my body will probably be downgraded as well. And wearing clothes in such a state makes the odor inevitably soak, also, it can't be helped because it's full of dirt and dust.

Oh, and what's with this « state » column, and Evolution ×1? Last time I

checked, I didn't have that…

"Oh, I know. Can't I just check the content of my skills?"

As I said so, I imagined the skill.

Then, the explanation of the skills appeared in my view.

[Analyze] Allows one to analyze anything in detail. However, the analyze will be incomplete if the target object possesses a certain level of rarity.

[Absolute Disassembly] When you defeat a monster, you obtain the maximum amount of items and the whole monster is available.

[Paralysis resistance] Nullifies the effect of paralysis.

Yes, I get the explanation of [Analyze] and [Paralysis resistance] somehow.

But, what's whit the explanation of [Complete dismantlement]? Though I can understand the increase of the number of obtained items, what does the part about getting the whole monster means?

Also, I don't get the level of rarity thing of the [Analyze] skill. Oh well, I'll probably get an explanation in the book I got from that god.

"Well, the mysteries are piling up. I still don't get why I can't analyze the grass either."

I judged the remaining grass again while saying so.

[Special paralysis grass] Grass which completely paralyzes one's body in an instant at the moment when it's eaten and put inside the body. When a rogue monster eats it by mistake, It is usually paralyzed.

What!? Rather, isn't this really dangerous!? Moreover, the paralysis seems to be a special skill. I'm glad I have paralysis resistance.

And the rogue monsters who eat it by mistake are too pitiful…….

Whatever, I'm probably not gonna use it anyway. But what's with this? I analyzed it before and it did not work, why can I analyze it now?

"…… Ah, I get it,"

When I think about it, the answer is quite obvious.

"Even if the analyze was incomplete, sensing the power with my body made its content known or something?"

Ehhh…

"Are you fuckin' kidding me?!"

When you use Realize on something, you have to eat it to get rid of those [(?)] and that garbled writing!? You have to go through so much hardships just for that?

Getting information will be this hard!? If I take the same kind of poison as paralysis every time, my body isn't going to last at all!

"Whatever, I'm too tired for that right now……"

I don't feel like searching any more today…

"There is no helping it, I'll deal with this tomorrow"

Now I'm just going to rest in order to prepare for the day after.

As I thought so, I found a safe place to sleep, a tree which I somehow climbed and I ended up sleeping there.

But at that time, I didn't understand just how strong the [Special paralysis grass] was…

Chapter 4 – Poison Resistance

"Ughhh ....."

I am about to die.

I understand what I am saying. Right now I am tired, mentally and physically. One week has passed since I ate the paralysis grass and acquired "paralysis resistance". After that, I visited the habitat of the clever monkey several times, but I did not find any more seeds after those nine.

"Amu mmhh ..... so bad"

I put a fruit of the evolution in my mouth and mutter so. By the way, the fruit of the evolution I am eating is today's meal. Because I eat them at a pace of one seed per day per week, only two remain. After that, probably because I earnestly kept eating the seeds and appraising various things, I got strange resistances that were different from paralysis resistance. By the way my present status is:

«Hiiragi Seiichi»

Tribe: Mass of filth ..... Oh, human ass

Gender: Male named filth

Occupation: Smelly homeless

Age: 17

Level: 1

Magic: 17

ATK: 1

Defense: 1

Agility: 1

Magic attack: 1

Magic defense: 1

Luck: 0

Charm:

«Equipment»

Ultimate weapon: the school uniform. Ultimate weapon: the student pants. Underwear of sure death. Shirt of sure death.

«Skill»

[Analyze], [Absolute Disassembly], [Paralysis resistance] [Wind resistance], [Sleep resistance] [Confusion resistance] [Charm resistance], [Petrification resistance] [Hindrance resistance].

«State»

Evolution x 8. Fatigue

Uhhh. I have a lot of material to use in a Tsukkomi act. Race first. It seems that it forgot that I am Human. The correct sex isn't male; it's filth. Occupation has evolved since the last time in a bad way. My equipment smells so bad that it can be used as a weapon. What the hell is this. Ultimate weapon? Underwear and shirt of sure death. Amazing. And look at the Charm. Is it blank? At least do you not even want to write words?

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"I say, what should I do…"

I dropped down onto both hands and knees on the ground. Just who has a grudge on me?! Ahhh! I don´t have a proper status beside the «skill» . I took a deep breath.

Calm down…. Yosh …. Fuuuuu. Now that I calmed myself down. I confirmed again that I got new skills.

[Sleep resistance]

To disable forced sleep by sleeping gas, *etc*.

[Confusion resistance]

Resistance to confusion and hallucinations.

[Charm resistance]

I prevent hypnosis caused by charm.

[Petrification resistance]

Disable being petrified by magic or evil eye, *etc*.

[Hindrance resistance]

Resistance to inhibition of movement due to trap or magic.

Aren't these five quite amazing? No. More than amazing, these are convenient. Inside this dangerous forest, who knows when a gas such as sleeping gas or hallucinations might show up. Such a resistance will be very important to live. As a result of having analyzed all five of them like that, I ate the mushroom which was there. Before I obtained these skills, when analyzing the paralysis grass, the result was '?'. As I continued to analyze and profit, I won't die.

By the way, when I judged it once again after having learned this skill, I was shown this:

[Sleep Mushroom]: One bit makes me sleepy. All of it makes me pass out.

[Super Dangerous Mushroom]: Somehow a lot of hallucinations are seen. It stimulates. It's a dream-like mushroom for dying people.

[Charm Mushroom]: All you see is turned beautiful. It makes you happy and unable to stand still.

[Petrification Mushroom]: If you eat, it petrifies you starting from your legs. It's impossible to deal with it because it petrifies all of you. Bit by bit, the petrification reverses with time.

[Disturbing Mushroom]: After eating, you can't move from the place. However, even if you can't move from the place, you can still move your body.

I threw away everything. It was a life crisis, you know?! Like hell I could do it!!! Moreover when I ate a sleep mushroom, I sleep like that and when I woke up, there was a smart monkey near me which scared me shitless!! Because I have a strong smell, I thought it will notice me!! I was prepared to die!! Furthermore, super dangerous mushroom?!! Just like that!!?? Moreover it isn't that like a drug!! I just pulled a tsukkomi act there. Seriously just a bite and I felt invincible. When I thought I could defeat the clever monkey, the effect wore out just before I could enter their habitat. Not a good drug, for sure. Then it was a charm mushroom. When I returned to normal, I despaired at my own sexual desire. The petrifying mushroom is pure horror. Freaking scary. The disturbing mushroom was interesting. You can move your body, but at the same time, you can't move from the spot. Well, I was worried thinking what if that monkey will show up.

“To speak frankly, I don’t want to put something unknown in my mouth anymore….”

In don’t have the 4 right of the consumer? (TL note: The right to safety, The right to be informed, The right to choose, The right to be heard). The right of information is important!!! But, god is being cold to me. Well, the god who sent us here won’t interfere with this world though.

“This… is clearly dangerous isn’t it?”

Currently I put the seed of evolution in my mouth and eat it. Farewell my last meal.

Suddenly —-

“A dangerous atmosphere to the max, but…”

With my right hand there is one mushroom. It was dark purple, a mix of blue and red, with yellow spots and furthermore a white spot at the top. So, why white? It’s the opposite! Absolutely bad!! Will I die? Me? It’s a lump of poison!! Just tell me to die already!!! Bu..but I still haven’t appraised this mushroom. There exists the possibility of this mushroom being just a edible mushroom. The moment the appraisal isn’t “?”, it isn’t an experiment anymore and it will become a fact…!!! Oh God… please have mercy..! With that thought, I use the skill [Analyze].

『？？？？』……？？？？。

“Shiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiit” [ED note: Exactly what I would say]

“Should I disappear from this world?!!! It’s your fault that I have to do a life experiment by putting my body on the line!! Mou, can’t you treat me a bit kinder already!? Please be serious , ooohh!”

“I…… did my best….. everyone, from everything thank you…!!”

Now after saying my last words, I put this dark purple dangerous mushroom in my mouth. Is this the vision everyone sees in the end when they die? I see revolving lanterns, but the quality is more real than that of an illusion. But, seriously, what should I do with this dangerous thing? I know I shouldn’t eat it. Maaaan. It would become a problem when I have to eat it, isn’t it? Currently there is something else to eat. There are two things, medicinal grass and seed of evolution which is already gone. I have searched for something to eat even if it is a little before the fear of starvation makes me think it twice.

By the way, for some reason after eating one seed of evolution, I became full…..

“As I thought. Stop!”

It’s scary! Super scary!! Is it ultra poisonous?! If I eat this joking, I will die right?!

“It’s useless…. I am not confident at all. If I don’t tell this to someone, this anxiety won’t disappear….”

In the first place will it even make a person sad if I die? For example my parents, friends, lover...

"I don't have parents!!! Very few friends! And a lover? Yeah, sure...!"

It's dangerous. It hurts. I became sad. I, perhaps, have no living value. The moment I became negative, this type of thoughts starts popping around.

Somehow by living a difficult life, my spirit drains.

"....If I eat this, I will die..."

Right now, I can say I became weird. Maybe because I'm thinking about committing suicide? I understand the reason. Even I have thought to myself that I am an idiot.

".....Ei!" Munch

"In the end I ended eating that mushroom....."

"..... a,are? Nothing happened?!"

I confirmed that I ate the mushroom. Wait, is this seriously okay? Finally, I had hit the jackpot at last!!!?

"Ohhhhhhh!!!"

I lift both arms and somehow I feel like shouting, so I shouted. The happiness had spread all over my body.

“Finally, my time has come!!!!!!!”

I started dancing from joy.

“Yahooooo!!!!”

I am seriously happy. This feeling was like having a lover!!!... Not that I have one.

“Fufufufufu. This time it is my win!”

?!!

“Cough cough” I started vomiting blood.

“….Se…seriously?”

I sure don’t have any luck. As expected, there is a 0 in the status.

“It can’t be…. It’s a delayed poison?”

No. When I think about it, the poison took effect in a short amount of time. Is it an immediate effect? In the end, it seems this time was a failure.

“I understand… I know….”

I was idiotically in high spirits. It is like a punch line I read somewhere….! Fuck!

I collapsed on my knee.

“Cough!!! cough!!….buee, bueee….”

Seriously, this time is really bad…..

“…..I will die from poison?”

Uwaaa…… I really don’t want. Starvation is unpleasant, but this is worse. Can I have a bit more pleasant death? But right now, I have this poison in my body. Seriously, in the end, I have zero luck. And just like that, I collapsed

.

“Haa, Haaa”

I can’t breathe properly. My body won’t respond. Even with the detoxification grass, I won’t make it. With [Analyze], it says it can heal injuries. After all poison has to be cured by poison grass….or antidote grass? It doesn’t matter.

“Cough!!…. If this is gonna be the end… I will eat this….”

I just put forth some willpower and took two seeds of evolution out from an item box.

“Eh… thanks to this, I had managed to survive…”

So, in this collapsed state, I quietly watched the seed of evolution that was in front of me. True. If that smart monkey hadn’t dropped this, by this time I should have become a corpse. Even though they taste horrible, this thing did satisfy my belly. This week I didn’t suffer from a lack of food thanks to this seed. Seriously I am thankful to this seed….. In the end, I didn’t understand its effect.

“… Thanks for giving so many thing to a person like me”

After saying that, I put the seed of evolution into my mouth. Munch, munch, munch….. I ate one seed of evolution. Ahhh somehow I can eat another one. Munch, munch….. I ate the last seed of evolution……

“I am completely ok!”

I awake suddenly. What the hell happened!? Just now I was about to die! Somehow after eating the seed of evolution, I started felling well but…!!

“cho! What about the deadly atmosphere that was there? Soo embarrassing!”

I started blushing! What the hell! It hurts! Where did the poison go? While burning with shame, I thought of a hypothesis.

“…..It can’t be. That [seed of evolution]’s effect, no…?”

But, the fact is that after eating it, the poison in my body vanished…. Seriously?

"H-Hey, wait. If it were true……"

Now I don't have more seeds in my hands…..

"UEEEEEEGH!!! Throw up! 1 is fine!" I throw up with all my strength. "Well, yes, yes, oh!"

I try my best to throw up the seed of evolution I just ate.

"GET OOOUTTT!" There was seriously an effect to erase the poison; I should have just eaten one!!!

Wait, now that I think about it, it had quite the amazing effect even when I was starving as well! At that time, to reach the seed of evolution, I had broken my nails while starving and blood was flowing from my nails. Without realizing, the wound was gone. I wanted to return to before I ate the seed of evolution.

"Mooo, I am a big idiot!!! I want to punch the me before I ate the seed of evolution and stop me!"

….Ah, if that the case, I might as well return before I eat the mushroom. That way I wouldn't be in this mess.

“….. Haaa. Moo, now that I ate it, I give up…”

A voice then told me that the skill [poison resistance] has been acquired and Skill [Analyze] evolved into [Intermediate level Analyze], a voice I have been hearing in my head recently. Wait, I wonder whose voice it was.

“Wait a bit, [Analyze] evolved in [Intermediate level Analyze]?”

Until now, like the skill [poison resistance], a new skill has been learned, but now in my head, the voice I heard said, “Rank Up to [Intermediate level Analyze].”

“I don’t understand…”

So while I said that, I opened my status.

«Hiiragi Seiichi»

Race: Ultimate potential hidden in mankind

Gender: Male

Occupation: Unfortunate homeless

Age: 17

Level: 1

Magic: 17

ATK: 1

Defense: 1

Agility: 1

Magic attack: 1

Magic defense: 1

Luck: 0

Charm;

«Equipment»

Ultimate weapon: the school uniform. Ultimate weapon: the student pants. Underwear of sure death. Shirt of sure death.

«Skill»

[Intermediate level Analyze], [Absolute Disassembly], [Paralysis resistance] [Wind resistance], [Sleep resistance] [Confusion resistance] [Charm resistance], [Petrification resistance] [Hindrance resistance], [Poison Resistance]

«Status»

Evolution x MAX Fatigue.

A,Are? A lot of thing changed? The race is now human and the gender had become male… However, about the ultimate potential hidden in mankind or so it say, I think it's exaggerating a lot. Ultimate potential, eh. But as always, nothing is written in charm. It..it's not like I am sad, okay! (TL note: Tsundere?) [ED note: Tsundere level: Kirino from Oreimo]

«Skill»'s turn. [Analyze] had disappeared and [Intermediate level Analyze] appeared in its place. Now I can learn more from using the skill. [Intermediate level Analyze].... I can learn more than analyze. Moreover a new resistance [Poison Resistance] was added. Moreover it prevents poisoning.

"This is amazing!!! Super amazing!!!"

Poison resistance is a god send! Thank to this, I can eat the food around here… How desperate was I. Putting this aside, now I can't eat the seed of evolution anymore.

Above all, I am thankful for [Intermediate level Analyze]. Now the '?' I saw before should show up less….

Finally «Status»'s turn, what does it mean by Evolution x MAX?

Now that I don't have another evolution, I can't learn about the new [Intermediate level Analyze]…

"Well, this time the result is that I survived that"

I alone cheered for myself. In short, stop thinking because I don't know!! Being alive is wonderful! Only, in that moment, I completely forgot. That was——

"ukyakkyakkya!"

"eh?"

Near me, a clever monkey stood.

Why?

If I think, I will understand it.

"….."

I made too much noise!!!!

[ED note: HOLY MOTHER OF ANIME….. This author making a paragraph into a sentence……..The monologues are real /endrant]

Chapter 5 – First Battle

“Ukyi~i~i~i!”

“I’m so sorry.”

I do a dogeza with all my might. Although there is some distance to the clever monkey, it was a pre-emptive strike!

Putting that aside…. the current me could not feel his presence…. obviously, I am not a master. Wait, seriously this situation is that, isn’t it? Scary. Since I did make that much noise, one or two monkeys were bound to appear. Rather, is the current situation I am in a blessing or misfortune? Either way, a danger is a danger. In front of the monkey, I am waiting in dogeza.

….

A…are?

Somehow, I was expecting an attack. In this situation, I look and wonder at what will happen. Is it unexpectedly peaceful?

Because I am scared of an attack that could happen anytime, without moving my body, I raise my face fearfully.

“Uh..”

“Eh?”

When I raised my head, the monkey that was at a distance kicked the ground with all his strength and jumped in front of my eyes. That appearance was almost like a football player before making a shot. [ED note: European football where you actually hit the ball with your foot]

“What are you——“

My words were silenced by the action of the monkey.

“Ukyyyyyy”

“Ueeei?!

The monkey releases the foot it was pulling back with all its might. In other words, a shot. Thereupon that foot became an attack.

“Choichoichoichoi! Seriously!?”

The attack came at me with a terribly fast speed——

“Guha~tsu!”

Zusha~a~aaa!

I got cut by that attack!

“It hu~u~u~u~uuuurts!”

I roll around in ground.

“It cut me! This is ba~ad! Blood is….. blood is flowing!”

Why am I so healthy even though I was cut!? But thanks to twisting my body a little before it cut me, I wasn’t cut in half. Only my stomach was cut….!

Are? This is quite serious, no? Looking carefully, my stomach is in a state where a mosaic has to appear!!!

“Ukyakyakya!”

The monkey, while looking at me rolling in pain, is clapping and smiling.

This guy’s personality is bad!! It is a big sadist!

“It hu~rts… It hurts…!”

I take out [First-class medicine] from my item box and drink it immediately.

“N …… n…… puha~a!”

While I drink it all, the monkey bursts out laughing intensely without

attacking. Annoyi~ing…. by the way, I just drank this medicine with this acrid color for the first time, but it is unexpectedly good. How should I put it… it tastes like a refreshing soda. It's carbonated a lot. Amazi~ing. While having that feeling, at some point the cut in my belly disappeared. The [First-class medicine] is fearsome! Now that I am healed – I'm going to have a word with the monkey before my eyes!

"This guy! You bastard! You sure have guts for ignoring my dogeza! I am going to beat you to a pulp. Come o——"

"Ukyi~iii!"

"Gufu ~oa!?"

Before I finish saying all my words, the monkey jumps at my chest and attacks! Mekibakiboki! An unpleasant sound is made from the bones. Gucha. I hear the sound of something being crushed.

"Gofa~tsu!"

I got thrown away just like that, crashing into a nearby tree. I am defeated. At last the tree at my back finally stopped my momentum.

"Shi…..-it…"

My back was stuck in the tree, so I just stayed like that.

"Ukyakyakyakyakya!"

Looking at me in such a state, the smart monkey makes an even happier

smile.

For sure, the attack just now had broken some bones and the internal organs too. Pain that cannot be experienced in real life attacks my body. Heck…I couldn't see the monkey's movements. When did it strike my chest?

When I was on Earth, the people who treated me as a sandbag had a power that seemed to be nonexistent in comparison to that attack just now…. even though that group had members of the boxing club. My body is pulled by the sensation of flying.

"Go ho~tsu! Ga ha~tsu!"

From my mouth flows a red-black liquid making my already dirty uniform and body even dirtier.

Wait, why is attacking me? Did I do something? No way, it wants to kill me to eat me?…..

Then, what is the reason for it making that happy face! I will kill you with one attack. I thought from the bottom of my heart. It's difficult. But, to beat me this much, is it seriously thinking of making me his food?

What if it wants to kill me as a way to pass time… u wa~a, I don't want it…. I don't want to be eaten. Won't you just look at the food? I can't imagine a monkey eating a human.

"Re…covery,,,,"

I begin to shake for some reason and give my body that didn't move like I wanted it to an order by force. From inside the item box, I took one [First-class medicine]. I, for the second time, wanted to drink this but——

"Ukkyā!"

"!?"

The monkey did not permit it. Again, with a speed which surpasses my recognition, my head is grabbed and is lifted with an arm that boasts a terrifying power.

"A ga……!?"

"Ukikyi~i!"

Nita~a. it's like an onomatopoeic word appeared. There is the clever monkey with a disgusting smile. Uwaa, I wanna punch it! This is the first time I saw its form so close. It is taller than me, around 2 meters tall I think. I don't reach 170cm tall but I weigh 100kg, you know. The monkey is certainly tall and is covered in red fur. The body is not well built. I see it as an average-looking build. Such a clever monkey raises me by the arm like a branch. Mouu it surprises me.

"Ukkyā!"

"~Tsu!"

The clever monkey with my head grasped swings me around, finally smashing me against the ground.

“Gufu~tsu!?”

“Ukyakyakyakya!”

My head hurts like it is breaking. It did a good work of crushing my head. I thought that it is crushed like a tomato for sure. Furthermore while it was swinging me around, I thought it broke my neck. My body, do your best!!! After this, I will praise you. When all of my body was bleeding and my conscious was fading, the monkey notices it and nods one time.

“Ukyi”

……

Why is it nodding now? Seeing the condition of my body like that? …… To defeat it, It’s impossible. After I thought like that, the clever monkey opens his mouth fully. Eeeh, wait a bit, seriously? Eeh, will I be eaten?

“Ukkikikkikyi ~!”

Why is with that ‘itadakima~su’-like action!? Seriously it wants to eat me?

Even though I was almost unconscious, seeing the unexpected action of the monkey, I awaken completely.

Hiyaa, I didn’t seriously think it was looking at me like I was his lunch!

But no matter how much awake I am it is no good. My head is grabbed with all its strength. In this situation where I can't move freely, it's pointless.

The clever monkey is going to start eating me from my head and is getting me closer to his mouth, but frowns from some reason.

"Kiki~tsu! ? Ki, kyi……"

It feels like it was saying [uwa~tsu! ? It, ree~eks ……]. Let me be!!

And that's how it got sick trying to eat my head, so this time, it's trying to eat my belly. Un, certainly, it is the part of my body that is more full. I recommend it. Isn't the fat delicious? At this time I already accept that the smart monkey is going to eat me and I give up. That's how the face of the smart monkey is getting close to my body————

"Ki~tsu! ? Ki, kyi……" 'Throws away'. [ED note: No real sound effect to show the monkey throwing away the guy]

"Buhe~tsu!"

I fall to the ground. Wh…Wh…why!?

I can't understand what is happening to me anymore. Why, until a moment ago, I was held to be eaten and suddenly I find myself in the ground. I just can't understand.

I am laying face down in the ground, opening my eyelids desperately

trying to grasp the situation.

Then, the appearance of the clever monkey is reflected in my eyes but…..

“Eh…?”

Reflected in my eyes are the feet of the clever monkey. What’s more, it doesn’t look like feet that were used to stand. Just like me, its feet are spread out on the ground.

“Wh…what the hell…?”

In my head, I can’t follow the current situation. I try to reach the first class medicine that fell when the clever monkey was swinging me around.

“……”

Somehow… if in this situation I drink the first class medicine, I will be fine… -making that decision, I make my body move. I reach the fallen [First-class medicine] with my hand and drink it.

“N……n……n……puha~tsu!”

The refreshing taste of the carbonated soda spreads around my body~!

“Ge-pu”

I involuntary let a burp. Maa I drank this carbonated drink in one gulp. This [First-class medicine] is a bit carbonated, but seriously this medicine is amazing. The wounds from before seems like a lie. However, it can't recover the loss of blood and stamina, so I feel a bit dizzy.

"Ite tete……n a?"

Now that my body is somehow recovered, I look at the clever monkey.

"…. Why is it making bubbles?"

The clever monkey's eye whitened and clever monkey had fallen, making bubbles.

"……"

I can think of the reason why the clever monkey is defeated. A hypothesis is made in my head.

"Ehh, iya…. But what if that was true…."

But, if my thinking turns to be true, I got myself in quite the unbelievable situation. In the end, I say what caused this is——

"…my body odor?" That's what it means.

Seriously?! Just how much do I reek right now!? I think I can't notice my own smell. It can't be, I reek to the level of a pig!?

"Ooh….it's a complicated feeling…."

Certainly, the clever monkey frowned when it got close to my head. That's because my head reeks. However, the part of my body that reek more is not my head nor my feet, but my abdomen because of my heavy body odor… it seems.

I think that I understand it even if I do not say so, but the smell of the lower part of the body will be the worst.

Perhaps, because of the smell of my own blood, I didn't realize it, but the moment my nose got close to my armpit it, I was attacked by a murder-class smell.

"Seriously….."

I lost color.

"Mmnh…."

But is my smell seriously able to knock out things?

"……"

I got close to the unconscious clever monkey with its eyes turned white.

"……Bikubiku" [TL note: That's the anime famous onomatopoeia when a character lose conscious and move the feet]

"…..Ei" I crouch, and get my armpit close to its nose.

Bikun~tsu! Bata. [TL note: Convulsing sounds)

"……"

The clever monkey's life has ended

I half-rise to my feet quietly, move to the edge and sit down a little.

…… May I cry?

◆ ◇ ◆

After a bit of time, I get close to the corpse of the clever monkey.

"……"

Too pathetic….! To die…..because of my body odor, I can't hold on! This feeling of guilt!

“I’m sorry! Please forgive me!”

“…..”

“Stop this silenceeeeeeee!”

Well it is dead so the silence is obvious, but…only this time, I have to make it clear. I, since coming to this world, killed for the first time a living creature. Though I did not mind very much when I easily killed insects mercilessly while playing in during the old days on Earth, but the clever monkey in front of my eyes is an animal. I do not have any experiences of killing an animal. I should feel a bit more I thought, but that method of killing….

“I can’t get a solemn atmosphere at all….!”

More like, you know, normally won’t the feeling of guilt crush you?! Why am I fine!? As expected, is it because the killing method is wrong!?

That’s why seriously I will apologize with all my might!

“Ahhh…. I can’t believe after coming to this world, the first life I ended turns to be like this…. but I am glad that I don’t have any useless feelings. If after killing a creature of this other world, I develop a trauma and I can’t hunt or eat animals, then I will starve. Animals’ proteins are important, you know…..?

“….At this moment, what should I do with this….?

I touched the corpse of the monkey. Suddenly the clever monkey became particles of light and disappeared.

“Uohh?Wh…what?

Surprised by the sudden occurrence, eventually it disappears completely into light particles and where the corpse of clever monkey was until just now, various things has fallen.

“This is…”

It can’t be, drop items!!? It’s seriously a world like a game!!

I pick up the drop items and use [Intermediate level Analyze]. I start analyzing something like a 1m bone.

“[Ken Monkey Sword]: sword made from a big bone”

It was a big bone that supported the body of the smart monkey. Ohh. Game-like….looking at the results of the analysis, that’s the level of my feelings…..

But, there are 3 of the same bone, all with the same name.

Hell, the clever monkey has a Japanese-like name, ‘Ken’.

[Ken Monkey Sword] eh. Un. This seem like it can be used as a weapon. Let’s put it in the item box.

“Next is….fur?”

I pick up what appear to be some reddish-brown fur and analyzed again.

'[Ken monkey Fur]'. Fur that had covered the body of the clever monkey. Defense is good, but is weak against fire.

I see…What impressions should I have besides this?

Only the texture is better that I thought so I can use it to wipe myself after washing.

"Let's keep analyzing…. De, what is this?"

The next one I took in my hand is tied with a string neatly and is an object wrapped in a leaf.

"Maa, after analyzing it, I will know"

So let's analyze already. [Ken Monkey meat]…. Clever monkey meat. It has a firm form and is highly nutritious.

Ohhh. The first meal I could secure after the seeds of evolution. And moreover, it's meat!!!

"Lucky, until now, it was very hard…."

Maa it's been a while since I ate meat. My belly could be surprised and

start hurting.

“But I will eat it!!!!!”

Why? Because it is meat of course!!!…. No problem.

“….What is….this?”

The thing I pick up from the ground was a thing like a card.

“Maa let’s analyze it”

My eyes opened wide from surprise after seeing the result. The result was that the card was a……

After eating the seed of evolution, I took a new step towards my new life.

[ED note: TLDR: Got beaten, whines, wins due to smell]

[ED note: Does a river or water not exist in that world?!]

Chapter 6: A Portion of Absolute Disassembly

“A skill… card?”

After analyzing the card I have in my hands, I speak these words without realizing.

Skill card. I can somehow imagine what this word means. Now, the results of the analysis. What is displayed is…

[Skill card ≪Cutting Legs (Slash Kick) ≫]….. Skill < Cutting legs> can be learned.

(TL note: The original skill is ≪斬脚(ざんきゃく)≫)

So it tells.

“Seriously?”

The skill can be learned? For real? Is such a thing possible? No, I am able to somehow imagine it from the name of the Skill card.

So speaking of [Cutting legs], is that the ability that had cut open my belly earlier?

“Ohhhh.”

A…amazing. ……

“I am speechlesss!!!”

By suddenly picking up a skill you can learn, I am troubled in deciding what reaction I should make!!! Is it fine if I dance in joy!!?

I think the clever monkey that died because of my armpit odor is pitiful, but the fallen cards are not only [Cutting Legs].

“O…o…other Cards?”

I pick up with my hand all the other fallen cards and analyze everything. The results that I got from all these skill cards are:

[Skill card ≪Cutting Legs≫]…. Skill < Cutting Legs> can be learned.

[Skill card ≪Moment≫]…. Skill < Moment > can be learned.

[Skill card ≪Super Compounding≫] …. Skill < Super Compounding > can be learned.

[Skill card ≪Tool Production: Super First-class≫]…… Skill ≪Tool Production: Super First-class≫ can be learned. [TL note: Was the monkey a legendary crafter?]

“Oh, oh….”

……..

“After all I’m rendered speechless……!”

Iyaa, isn’t this an amazing thing!? Because it’s a skill, you know! I got my hands on skills!!! But, it’s so sudden that it’s troubling.

“….. I wonder how to use this.”

Even though it’s written that I can learn, I have no idea how. What should I do?…. So while I was thinking that, all of the skill cards suddenly start shining with light.

“Wo~oow!?”

Skill cards emit a violent light, become a ball of light and enter my body.

“Eyyy!? Somehow, something entered!”

The skill cards disappear from my hand. The sudden occurrence surprised me, but the voice in my head that spoke when I learn a skill spoke.

[Skill ≪Cutting Legs≫ has been learned]

[Skill ≪Moment≫ has been learned]

[Skill ≪Super Compounding≫ has been learned]

[Skill ≪Tool Production: Super First-class≫ has been learned]

"……Uwa~a……"

I sit down lightly.

I mean, suddenly I learn a lot of skills. It is so sudden that I doubt. Why can I be true to myself and be happy?

"…. For the time being, let's confirm it."

So I think about confirming the skills I just learned.

[Cutting Legs]: I can release a slash from my feet. Effective range of slashing is about 10m.

[Moment]: I can move with a speed that the enemy cannot react. The effect is instant, but it can be used in succession.

[Super Compounding]: Ability to compound. It gives the maximum effect to the compound.

[Tool Production: Super First-class]: Ability to make tools. It gives the maximum effects to the tools.

“…….It can’t beee…..”

Too much of a cheat!!! This is baaaad!

Can I who lived an ordinary life in earth do it?

“…I don’t have confidence in doing it well.”

I, Will I be okay?

Certainly, inside this dangerous forest, having a cheat skill is reassuring, but I am scared that I will misunderstand this and think that it’s my own power! It may seem weird, but self-destruction won’t be a joke.

“…..I’ll be careful.”

There was no choice but to say so.

But [Super Compounding] and [Tool Production: Super First-class] seem to be convenient in various ways in this place and don’t pose such a danger.

Though it seems I got the best version of these skills.

I wonder if that means that the clever monkey I defeated was skilled in making tools and compounds.

Heck, after all the [First-class Medicine] seems like it was made by the clever monkeys.

"So they really are smart…."

Why don't I make some glass? What's more, I will make it in a bottle form and make it more unreasonable.

"Well if I can take advantage of it, I will work hard and take advantage of it."

For the time, I make my new goal to master the skills.

"Well…. next is?"

The next thing I hold in my hand is a book. Well……rather than calling it a book, a booklet? "…… What is this?"

I say without realizing.

In the cover of the booklet is not a character that I have seen written before, but for some reason, I was able to understand the words.

"…… I see. Are these the words of this world?"

Soon, after I noticed the true identity of the characters that are written on the cover of the booklet, I notice that I seem to be able to read the

letters and try to write my name in the firm ground.

"Let's try writing it…"

And I write my name without difficulty. I did it. [TL note: he says this somehow like a child that succeeded in something like eating all of their lunch.]

Even though my English was no good, I am surprised that I can easily handle these characters I have never seen before.

This, I wonder if it is due to the language comprehension ability that God gave us before the transport.

"Are? Wait, then why doesn't [Language Comprehension] appear in the skills section?

Uhhm….. can it be that [Language Comprehension] isn't a skill, but an inborn talent that can't be seen?

Maa, it's not a problem even if I don't investigate profoundly. Even if it doesn't appear as the first skill, it isn't a problem as long as I can use it.

In the end, that's what I think. No matter what others say, that's what I think!!!…… I, to whom am I saying this?

"Nhh…what is written on the cover?"

I read the cover of the booklet. What is written is “Knowledge of the Clever Monkey” Okay, Knowledge? Of that monkey? Or about that monkey?……

“Maa…. I will read it.”

I open the booklet.

[The clever monkey is a highly intelligent species that live in high level dungeons. They have great dexterity with their hands. Furthermore they have a lot of knowledge about various herbs and they can compound or make tools. They can understand human speech, but cannot speak it. In tools-making technology and compound techniques, they surpass humanity. And in terms of using tools, they are better than humans.]

“Monkeys are amazing!!!”

I didn’t think that they would surpass humans!? Normally the boundary between humans and animals is how well you can make and handle tools….. It’s difficult for me to grasp the difference between animals and humans. I don’t understand.

But, it can’t be the ability to create a tool better than humanity, but to have the technique to use it!!….

“Iyaaa….Clever monkey, so dangerous.”

I say and turn the page

Then the title is written in big letters on one page and it reads [Lifetime of the Clever Monkey].

“Lifetime!!!?”

Suddenly it turns magnificent!?

“…..What is this? Is a document starting?”

So I say as I turn another page.

“_____”

I start reading it and then I am lost for words. But, it isn’t in a bad meaning, on the contrary, in a good meaning.

“It can’t be. All the experiences of the monkey have been packed into this one book!?”

I continue reading and what is written are the effects of each and every plant and herb, etc., and how to work with them.

Furthermore the plants are possible to collected in the whole area around here. All those places were drawn is the map.

Not only are the plants written about, there are valuable mineral locations marked.

“Seriously, bad…. Too bad!

In the last page was a map with a cross that carefully marks the place of the dead monkey.

“Because I didn’t move from this place where I killed the monkey, it marks my current position?!!”

Because, in this forest that I am currently wandering around, a lot of places to be used as reference points are important.

After reading the booklet, like the skill card, it starts emitting a violent light. Then, again it turns into a ball of light and enters inside me.

“!”

The moment the ball of light is sucked inside me, knowledge that was in the booklet before starts flowing in my head.

“The information that suddenly flows in my head…. I can understand everything!!!

Although it’s my own self, I am surprised to remember without difficulty at once all of the obtained knowledge.

This is like the time I learned the skills. In the end, all the knowledge I got is completely mine.

“Wawa…..wawawa….”

A smile forms without realizing. This … seriously what is it?

First, I kill a demon-like monkey, then I get skill cards I never seen before and all the knowledge and experience of the monkey was in my hands? ….Surely something is wrong. Until then I thought because in my head, a certain word appear.

“———Absolute Disassembly…..!”

I know! In that description, it said, “Obtain all (▪▪) from the defeated demon.” That’s why I could make all the knowledge my own!

“Th…then, what are the remaining ball and treasure box…?”

I drop onto my knees where the rest of the defeated clever monkey was and transfer my line of sight to the mysterious sphere and the treasure chest while I muttered.

[ED note: another stupid cliff hanger……..the troll is real]

[TL note: and the same as the previous chapter for more pleasure….]

[ED note: Would the readers be interested in me posting updates on chapters through twitter or something like that?]

Chapter 7 Evolution

[Th…this is…]

I take the mysterious sphere in my hand. The result of the appraisal, before its true form, I lost my words.

[Magic: 3]

[ATK: 3850]

[Defense: 2743]

[Agility: 4211]

[Magic Attack: 1]

[Magic defense: 1456]

[Luck: 0]

[Charm: 10]

The result of the appraisal of each ball is this.

In other words, the meaning of these balls is…

"……That clever monkey's status ah?

Absolute disassembly. It leaves even the status. Outrageous. Hell the magic is low! The magic attack is the same as me.

Luck is 0…… to die because of my armpit odor. All in all, it can't be a mistake.

It's painful that the charm is above mine. I am below the monkey in charm… A…are? Fluids flow from my eyes…… I won't ever say it's sweat!!!

"Uwaaa… what should I do with this?"

Most likely, I can make the status my own. How should I say it… it appears more useable than the time I got the skills. Such a thing happens when I have the sphere before my eyes. Somehow the violent light that I am getting used to appears and again it enters my body. Then, like the time I acquired the skills, a voice flowing in my head resounds.

"Additional status has been confirmed. For status of more than 1000, 1/10 of that number will be added."

In other words, that ridiculous attack power, though not all of it, will become mine.

Attack power 380, defense 274, something like that?

"……Maaa suddenly getting in my hands an absurd power……"

And precisely because I thought so, on the contrary I was relieved that not all of it got into my hands.

Suddenly getting the clever monkey's speed and strength will be hard for me to use.

"……After collecting all the drop items, I will confirm the status."

And so, the last remaining is a single treasure chest.

It's not very big. It's small enough to fit in both of my palms.

"…..As there is no keyhole, it will open directly…. What is in it?"

Because a treasure chest is something that stimulates your curiosity!

"……Yosh!"

I make up my mind and open the treasure chest.

Inside the opened box is a chain and a bag that contains something.

“Wh…what? This chain…”

I pick up the chain with my hands and look at it.

This size, as an accessory, is only long enough to be attached to the belt loop of the pants.

“Well…… I am not into accessories.”

Maa, I analyze it immediately because I couldn’t understand it even if I continued thinking.

[Kensaru Chain]: To be attached to the belt loop. ‘Rare class equipment’.

When equipped, the rate of collecting rare items in a field goes up.

“OHHH”

This is amazing. This rare item I got in my hands is because of absolute disassembly!?

Even so, the effect is wonderful! Even if I am able to surely recover the rare drop items from the other party that was defeated using absolute disassembly, the probability of recovering a rare item in a field is low!

“Even so…… this rare class… I wonder if this rare part expresses the rare percentage of appearances. [ED note: rare percentage as in low

percentage]

Somehow after using the skill [Appraisal], the description shown is rare drop. In the end, the knowledge that I received from God about this world is still unimproved.

“Normally the rare drops go to the high luck guys. It doesn’t have anything to do with me, no?”

Then why me with my luck of 0? Is it from my upbringing until now? Or is it from the looks?

Maa I will certainly die because everything I analyze always has bad statuses. My luck is 0. It isn’t a mistake…… right?

“Maa, it doesn’t matter so what’s inside this bag?”

After I immediately equip the chain that was in my hands, this time I take out the bag that came along with the chain in the treasure box. It’s a size that I can hold in the palm of my hand, but somehow I can feel heaviness from it.

“What is inside?”

I check the contents—-

“Coin?”

Inside the bag, there is a type of coin I've never seen before.

"What?…Three silver coins, five gold coins… and a color thinner than silver…… color of platinum? One coin……"

This is…… the currency of this world? (TL note:the original says this world's gold but that feels a little weird so I changed it to currency)

Uhnn… I don't know their worth. Furthermore, in the place I am right now, there is no meaning to money…

Maa the worth of money should be written in the other world knowledge that I got from God. So I believe.

"Let's see…… I recovered all the drop items and appraised them."

I didn't level up?

Certainly the way used to defeat it was horrible, but the opponent was level 120, you know!! I think my level has to go up.

"It's weird…… I'm sure my level was going to go up."

I tilt my neck while muttering so.

'Confirmed a large amount of experience gain. From this point the evolution will happen.'

“Yes?”

When I tilt my neck due to the words that have suddenly flowed through the head —-

“‘m N!? Oh, my head!!” [TL note: It’s supposed to be a sound of surprise.]

Suddenly a tremendous pain runs in my head.

“Ite~e~e~e~e~e~eeeeeee! What was that!? Suddenly what!? Seriously it hurts!?”

I have such severe pain in my head that it seems it’s splitting open! Without realizing it, I fall to the ground holding my head.

“Aaaaaaagrggaggga!!!!”

Hurts, it hurts, it hurts, it hurts, it hurts, it hurts! Seriously it hurts!!!!

Due to too much pain, I am unable to think calmly. Then suddenly I hear a weird sound.

Bakibakibaki! (TL note: Don’t ask me what the hell is this.)

“What’s that sound!? What itetetetete!”

I have a bad feeling. Because I certainly heard that sound coming from my head! When I was suffering from this atrocious pain, suddenly that pain just vanished.

“Itetetete!…A…are?”

I tilt my neck from the sudden pain.

“Just what ha—-”

My words stopped there. This time my face is assaulted with the atrocious pain.

“Guooooooooooghrt!!!!”

Seriously what the hell! It’s terribly painful!

I hold my face with both hands and again roll on the ground.

Gukibakigukya.

“There it is!! That bad sound is coming from my face!?”

What is happening!? Either way it hurts so much!!!!!

“Ugaaaaaaaaaa!—- N…n?”

Yet again the pain abruptly vanishes.

“Really what is—”

This time, severe pain runs through my body.

“Mooo iyaaaaaaaaahh”

Gukigukibakigukyabekya!

“My bo…bones argh! My muscles aaaaargh.”

Someone! Someone help me! HELP! HEEEEEELP! (TL note: the last two helps are said in English)

It hurts! What the hell is happening to my body!? It’s terribly painful! This situation, it’s not normal!

“Moiyada…” [ED note: It means enough or no more.]

I hold my body. I murmur involuntarily while rolling on the ground.

I think that normally you faint if the pain is beyond a certain tolerance range, but there is no sign of me fainting at all.

Do I have to endlessly taste this severe pain? I don't wanna!

Tears overflow regardless of my intention.

"Agaa ah ah Aagh!"

As I look around rolling on the ground, once again the severe pain I had until a little while ago disappears and it seems like a lie.

"Ze~e ..... Ze~e ....."

Just what the hell is happening...!

I think that a thought of "Something suddenly evolved" flows through my head. Why do I have to be attacked by this severe pain?

"Moo with this, it's already over?"

I murmur so with an erratic breath while somehow raising my body but ———-

"Ooooooooohgh!!!!"

This time, it's the lower part of my body that is in terrifying pain!

“Aaaaaagh! Lower part, no! No good!”

Gukigukibekibokibakigushamekya!

“An amazing sound without precedent is ringing through!!”

When I thought the pain in my head stopped, next was my face. When I thought the pain in my face stopped, next it was my body. When I thought the pain in my body, next was my lower body!!

“Someone help me.”

Can nothing be done about this pain? I did well not becoming disabled! In a way, it’s amazing!

“……Wait, this is not the time to be praising myseeeeeeeelf!!”

Bone!! It broke! Absolutely! What’s more, a part that can’t be trained no matter what is screaming! Give me a break!

If this keeps going like this, I…… will stop being a man!…. It can be that I can’t use it again. But that’s not the problem!! The pain felt can’t be compared to another part!

“Why is this happening……!”

I clench my teeth desperately in an attempt to endure the pain.

"……Aaaaaaagh!"

I can't hold it at all. It hurts so bad! Moo I hate this!

I am seriously desperately praying when the voice in my head sounds.

'Evolution has been completed. 1000 points will be added to all stats.'

"I…it's over?"

Somehow incredible words just popped out, but more than that, in my head is only the thought of being released from the severe pain.

"Ha~a…… ha~a…… ha~a……"

Yo…yosh I calm down……

I take a deep breath several times in order to adjust my breathing. And I open the status in order to confirm "evolution" and the meaning of the word that I heard before the severe pain started.

«Hiiragi Seiichi»

Race: New Humanity

Gender: Male

Occupation: Homeless

Age: 17

Level: 1

Magic: 1020

ATK: 1386

Defense: 1275

Agility: 1422

Magic attack: 1001

Magic defense: 1147

Luck: 1000

Charm:

«Equipment»

Ultimate weapon: the school uniform. Ultimate weapon: the student

pants. Underwear of sure death. Shirt of sure death.

«Skill»

[Intermediate level Appraisal], [Absolute Disassembly], [Paralysis resistance], [Wind resistance], [Sleep resistance], [Confusion resistance], [Charm resistance], [Petrification resistance], [Hindrance resistance], [Poison Resistance], [Cutting leg], [Moment], [Super Compounding], [Tool Production: Super First-class]

«State»

Evolution × 9. Fatigue

«Possession gold»

10530000G

“It’s weird!”

I did a tsukkomi at my own stats without realizing.

“My initial status was 1 so why suddenly this inflation!?”

Evolution panel? The effect is too terrific! I knew the second part of the words was not a lie? I didn’t hear it. Furthermore «State», the part of evolution is at MAX x9…… And it is to say, I still have to experience nine

times that severe pain!?

Iyaa…… certainly the stats that appeared are amazing but…… I don't have the confidence to withstand 9 more times.

"Why wasn't the bonus added to the charm part? Isn't it weird!?"

1000 is added to all status, no!? Where did the 1000 charm go!? I seriously have 0 charm?

And the race, I don't understand it, seems to be new human.

Then again the thing I am most curious about is why after defeating the clever monkey I am still at level 1!

Did you mean, for that "evolution" thing, it consumed all the obtained experience value!?

"U wa~a……somehow there are a lot of things to be depressed about wa~a……'

It happens when I drop my line of sight to the ground.

"Nn?"

I feel a strange sense of discomfort.

Strange. Somewhere is wrong.

"…What?" Below(▪▪)it's the ground like normal.

"!"

I touch my belly in a hurry.

"……I…I lost weight…!!"

Yes, my feeling of discomfort was because before, I saw my belly when I looked at the ground, but now I see the ground beautifully. Before, my belly disrupted my vision of the ground.

"Seriously I lost weight!! And the stretched skin that appears after losing so much weight is not there! Even that situation is avoided!"

Th…this is amazing……! That pig-like me slimmed! Diet effect is amazing!!…. I wonder if there are more surprises. But, the fact that I lost weight is very important now for me.

"Somehow, I also seem to be building up muscles……"

I think so while touching my own belly. It's abnormally tight.

"Maa, it's probably my imagination. Furthermore, getting slim doesn't change me being disgusting."

I conclude. My pants feel weird.

“Are……My pants are falling……”

Why?… There is no reason to think about it. I slimmed down.

“I am really happy that I slimmed down, but the clothes I am wearing…”

The upper part of the clothes I am wearing feels absolutely saggy.

It can’t be helped. I put the belt in the tightest hole and somehow it’s holding up.

“The upper part…… I have no choice but to give up!”

I do so and realize another abnormality.

“N?…Somehow I got the feeling that my viewpoint is taller…”

Did I get taller? In this short period of time?

“…It can’t be. Suddenly losing weight is a thing. but suddenly getting taller is impossible. The bones are different than fat.”

Maa, I also don’t think I have gotten thin suddenly……. isn’t it?

“Only, that sound that is not supposed to be heard that came from all over my body… it can be possible.”

Un…. It’s fine. There doesn’t seem to be trouble for the moment.

I don’t understand the reason. If you experience that horrible pain that makes you slim down, it could sell…… Iyaa impossible. To make you want to endure that pain…. Just how much do you want to lose weight? Take care of yourself.

“Saa…. What will I do next…”

I sit down on the ground, thinking.

“In the battle against the clever monkey, I used two first class recovery medicines…”

I understand the method of making them from the knowledge of the clever monkey and the location of the herbs as well.

Moreover, to make the first class recovery medicines, I need water and right now I am quite thirsty and want it.

“….Yosh! First let’s think on how to survive in this forest. For that objective, I have to make full use of the knowledge I got from the clever monkey.”

So I decide, let's work.

"I will do it!!!

What I should do?.... Saa?

[ED note: This guy became a cow with all his "Moo" (I know it's not like a cow mooing).]

Chapter 8 [5 Months Later]

「GRUUOONN! 」

「Damn!!! 」

I, Hiiragi Seichi, am fighting a level 311 Aqua Wolf ———- the wolf that attacked me that time.

「GAOOOO! 」

「Buhee! 」

……Correction.

It’s a one-sided beat-down.

「WA~! TIME-OUT! Wait, please wait a minute!? 」

After it attack me with his front paw, the Aqua Wolf persistently pursues me.

「Chi! [Moment]! 」

I activate my skill [Moment], dodging the pursuing Aqua Wolf with a speed at which it can’t keep up.

「[Cutting Leg]! 」

I am not just dodging, but also countering. Just like that, I activate my [Cutting Leg] skill.

「ZushaAA!」

「KyaUN!」

The slash that I release tears the Aqua Wolf's skin.

Originally, I didn't mean to use this on the Aqua Wolf, so I release the [Cutting Leg] while suppressing its power as much as I can. Because of that, the slash only tore its skin. It's not going as far as tearing the meat. Taking advantage of the recoil of this attack, I use this chance to run as far as I can.

「Mou, I hate it! Why do I have to pass this when I'm just going to collect [Heat Rock]!」

「GURURURURU……GAUGAAAAAAAAa!」

「Mou, Don't come this waaaaaaay!」

In the end, the Aqua Wolf is still chasing me.

While frantically running for my life, I remember my life experiences during these 5 months since I had that first evolution————.

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5 months passed by after finishing my first evolution and various things happened.

First, by relying on the knowledge of the Clever Monkey, I moved towards the river. I must secure water provisions.

Then I went to the harvest spots of precious minerals like iron ore and unexpectedly gathered many of them together.

Without realizing, I got a title due to my body odor……

Anyway, these long 5 months felt like only a moment.

The meat is terrible. The muscle is too thick, which makes it difficult to eat, but for my own life, Clever Monkey meat became my staple food.

In addition, by relying on the Clever Monkey's knowledge, I'm also looking for edible plants.

Thanks to that battle with the Clever Monkey, I've become completely accustomed to it; I also experienced 8 times the intense pain that comes together with the evolution.

Just like that, my current status is:

≪Hiiragi Seiichi≫

Race: New Humanity

Gender: Male

Occupation: Forest Man

Age: 17

Level: 1

Magic: 8024

ATK: 11088

Defense: 10200

Agility: 11376

Magic Attack: 8008

Magic Defense: 9176

Luck: 8000

Charm:

«Equipment»

[Ultimate Weapon: The School Uniform], [Ultimate Weapon: The Student Pants], [Underwear of Sure Death], [Undershirt of Sure Death], [Kensaru Chain], [Kensaru Rod]

«Skill»

[Intermediate Appraisal], [Absolute Disassembly], [Paralysis Resistance], [Wind Resistance], [Sleep Resistance], [Confusion Resistance], [Charm Resistance], [Petrification Resistance], [Hindrance Resistance], [Poison Resistance], [Cutting Leg], [Moment], [Super Compounding], [Tool Production: Super First-Class], [Fatigue Resistance]

≪State≫

Evolution × 2

≪Title≫

[Smelly Player]

≪Money in Possession≫

84,240,000G

That's it.

First, my level still has yet to rise, still level 1. Moreover, the Charm point is always in blank. Well, worrying about it is too troublesome, so I give up.

Because neither race nor gender changed too much after one evolution, I didn't pay too much attention to it.

Only, what about my occupation?

……What? Forest Man. Since when did I become a Forest Man?

Mou, making a tsukkomi for every little thing is troublesome……

After that, the fatigue in ≪State≫ vanished and a new skill [Fatigue Resistance] was added in the ≪Skill≫ column.

Thanks to that, I've never felt fatigued recently. I'm lively again.

I keep the [Kensaru Chain] from defeating the Clever Monkey. With the exception of the one equipped on me, there are 7 of those in my item box.

As for the newly added ≪Title≫, the [Smelly Player], why is the effect so cruel?

[Smelly Player]……Its effect enables me to freely control my own body odor. Its effective range is 10 cm from the title owner.

……The day I got this title, I cried quietly.

I think it's just that my clothing that I've worn since the beginning already became dirty…… Even though I have the skill to create new clothing, I still can't create any without needle and thread…… Well, I had already resigned myself from the start. I think that compromise is important.

Thanks to continuously killing the Clever Monkey, my body became accustomed to using the skills. I also made a weapon from the bones of the Clever Monkey, the [Kensaru Rod] that appeared in the ≪Equipment≫ column in the status screen.

I am using certain special paralysis grass extract that I apply on the weapon to strike at my opponent, making my opponent wounded and paralyzing it.

At first I thought there was no use to that grass, but…… It became a priceless treasure once I unexpectedly discovered how to use [Special Paralysis Grass].

The old me made this weapon by completely using the [Kensaru Bones], but he couldn't use it properly. But, something like that is just a bonus compared to the rise in my status; because it's made my body feel amazing. It's gotten to the point that my body is capable of various movements. My body lost weight.

Moreover, lately I've been thinking, could it have been that amazing evolution in the beginning, adding 1000 points to all status? Or so I thought, but something like 1000 points is unexpectedly low, right? It's possible to say that.

Because I know that the Clever Monkey, whose level slightly exceeds 100, which is 120, is considered small fry, and now I'm still desperately running for my life from the level 311 Aqua Wolf. Its level exceeds 300.

I also received knowledge of this different world from God. Since it's not too detailed about the things such as levels, I know that something like level 1000 exists, so it can be said that this is the first time I'm facing a formidable enemy. In other words, I, until now, desperately fought for my life against the Clever Monkeys that can be said to be small fry in this world.

But, according to my information about the Clever Monkeys, most of them supposedly inhabit high level dungeons. But that's, after all, only the subjective opinion about the Clever Monkeys.

I mean, the knowledge I obtained about the Clever Monkeys is from the knowledge of the Clever Monkey itself. Could it be…it won't be strange if I'm also a little overestimating myself, right? That's my conclusion.

But, with Clever Monkey's knowledge about plants minerals and the technique to create things, certainly its something to be amazed at.

It seems they seriously exceed human knowledge.

After that, my [Intermediate Appraisal] changed to [Advanced Appraisal]. This made me really happy.

Because of the Clever Monkey's knowledge, the information about edible plants is already inside my head. As for the things that are unknown to the Clever Monkey, I will then use Appraisal to learn them.

My luck is different than before. I am glad that now food that gives bad statuses is rarely found by me.

I also gathered quite an amount of money. Though, it's completely useless in this forest.

From the knowledge I received from God, the coin value from the lowest is copper coin, silver coin, gold coin, and platinum coin. 100 units of the coin is equivalent to 1 unit of the coin above it. For example, 100 copper coins is equivalent to 1 silver coin.

An ordinary family with an income around 10 silver coins could live well for around a year. In other words, it's 100,000G. [ED note: But 100,000G is 1,000 silver coins or 10 gold coins… I think the author is bad at math.]

「……」

Before I noticed it, I was already filthy rich.

By the time I knew this, I drew out a little money, I should be honest with myself and be happy. No, honestly I'm drifting away from the topic a little. ……Currently there isn't any chance to use it yet.

NONONO! This is bad!? I have 82,240,000G! It's enough for more than 800 years, you know!?

It's scary..... This different world, that is.....

————————Thus, that's my recollection during these 5 months. Like this, a lot of things happened.

Just like that, I'm challenging something new, such as compounding a medicine called [Elixir]. Though it is information obtained from Clever Monkey's knowledge, the plant for that [Elixir] can be collected in this area.

For that reason, a certain mineral is necessary. It's the [Heat Rock]..... otherwise known as [Flame Stone]..... and then somehow I discovered an Aqua Wolf, and then back to the beginning. [ED note: [Heat Rock] is said in English (lit. Hito rokku), [Flame Stone] in Japanese.]

By the way, this miracle drug can revive the dead. This medicine really has such a tremendous effect. However, it seems it is useless for monsters as it can be used for healing injuries, but not resurrection. If that was the case, what is the purpose of that?

Only that, it's similar to the [First Class Recovery Medicine] and other recovery medicine, but there is a difference in the plants and minerals collected. Until now, I haven't used it once.

[Heat Rock], usually called [Flame Stone] is a mineral that emits a special flame, which is the reason for me heading towards the mining

area.

……I…my luck was raised, right?

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「GAOOOOOOO—! 」

「Soooo, don’t come herEEEEEEEE! 」

I’m running earnestly in the forest.

It is too persistent!! This wolf! Just give it up already!

If it was my status from before, I would certainly be killed by it! ……But as expected, maybe the monsters here are quite weak. Or it’s just that the old me was abnormally weak.

「I don’t have any business with you! Just be good and go away! 」

「GWON! 」

「Listen what I’m sayiiiiiiiiiiiiiIIIIIIIIIIng! 」

It’s useless. It’s not listening to me at all!

……well, the other party is a monster after all. It’s just me expecting it to understand human language.

「DAAAAA! It's so annoying! 」

I made a big leap, facing the Aqua wolf.

「If you come closer than this……I… I will fight!?」

……Please, absolutely don't come any closer. It's scary.

Honestly, with the exception of Clever Monkey, I don't have any confidence that I can beat it. Its appearance is bad enough.

Only, at the time when it attacked me using Aqua Wolf skill at the beginning, it didn't cause considerable damage, I have a real feeling that my defense power has actually risen…… It's still unpleasant.

While I bend back a little, I set up the [Kensaru Rod], a weapon created from Clever Monkey bone… While creating it, I also applied the extract of special paralysis grass to its tip.

And, as if the Aqua wolf can read my feelings, it doesn't attack.

「……N? This…this is……」

Can I go?

By the time I think so.

「Uuuuuuuuu……」

「Eh? 」

Suddenly the Aqua wolf lays its head on the ground and growls in a low voice.

While I’m bewildered by that sudden action, BA! It suddenly raises its face and a jet of water comes out of its mouth.

「GAUOOOOOOOO! 」

「Seriously!?」

That water isn’t some half-assed thing like a squirt gun. It’s basically a water cannon.

「Mo…[Moment]!」

I instantly invoke my skill [Moment] and avoid the water cannon.

「Wha…what was that!?」

A jet of water just came out from wolf’s mouth!? I don’t understand this anymore…!

I somehow avoided that attack. The water cannon, just like that, passes

by me and collides with the tree behind me.

ZUGAAAAAN!

「……No way……」

The water cannon that's released by the Aqua Wolf collides with a many years old tree and breaks it.

「Is that also a skill!?」

I…iya. But…… rather than a skill…… it's more fitting to call it magic.

「A…anything is fine…… Anyway, now what should I do for this battle…!」

I raise my wariness even higher.

Now, I am running wild around. Any second now, a companion of this Aqua Wolf could appear.

……I need to settle this quickly.

「……I won't go easy anymore.」

First, I release [Cutting Leg] with the intention of scaring it.

But, because I'm resolved to fight it, I'm going all out! I'm not strong enough to win against it while holding back on the first strike. That's why I made my resolution to survive and go all out from the start…!

「Here we go! [Cutting Leg]! 」

I swing my foot with all my power to unleash the [Cutting Leg] skill!

Byun! Zupa! ……Boto.

「…… 」

The Aqua Wolf's head falls.

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……

……Eh?

I can't catch up with the current situation.

Next, the Aqua wolf that lost its neck, and just like the time I defeated the Clever Monkey That effect happens——— the corpse disappears into light particles. In its place, a lot of things fall.

「.....」

「It's a lie, right!? 」

My voice echoes around.

All the events that happened during these 5 months are just like an idle chat.

Before long, from inside of the forest, the heroine made her appearance.

Here a little present: the cover of first Vol when MC and heroine appear:

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Chapter 9 Legend class weapon

"…For the moment, let's collect the drop items."

Because I defeated the Aqua Wolf like that, I collect the items without missing anything.

[Kaijin ōkami large fang]…. Huge Fang of the Aqua Wolf. Sharp, it can pierce an iron plate easily. (TL:kaijin okami is the name of the aqua wolf its direct translation is ash wolf I am letting his name like that its cooler)

[Kaijin ōkami fur]…. Grey fur that can be said to be the symbol of the Aqua Wolf. It feels unusually well and the magic resistance is high. When processed to be armor, it becomes an amazing thing.

[Kaijin ōkami meat]…… Aqua Wolf meat. It is not good to eat raw; ordinary cooking methods are never tasty. If soaked in salt water, the salt seeps into the meat and becomes delicious.

The drop items I got in my hands are appraised and displayed. Wait, Kaijin ōkami it says…. So cooool. What's more, the fang's power is weird. To pierce an iron plate….

"Ma, it's not bad this is great, I can make something like a spear with my kensaru rod and the fang…."

Because there is no rope, I wonder if I should use the tree vines.

“It should be fine if I do it this time, too.”

Putting that aside, meat! Salt is needed though…. Around here, there isn’t any place I can get salt.

I just don’t know. Maybe there is a place where I can collect something like salt stones. In my knowledge and the Clever Monkey’s knowledge, I don’t know such a place. For now, I will need to get salt in my hand; getting it isn’t a lost. I throw all the drop items that are appraised in the item box.

Since the appraisal changed to [Advanced Appraisal], there hasn’t been any things that is unclear. Well there are items that I know the effect though.

The plants’ “?” stopped appearing. This time, it shows how to use it.

Only when it comes to demons are the name and level shown. Not even one had their status appear. Well, that’s unrelated to me that keep hunting Clever Monkeys. (TL note: expect retribution… poor monkeys).

“Well, next is ……”

I say while moving my line of sight. Entering my vision is a card that has fallen.

“Skill card ……”

I have all the skills of the Clever Monkey… but I don't have even one skill of the Aqua Wolf.

By the way, until now, all of the defeated Monkeys, for some reason, didn't leave me a skill card even once. [TL note: apart of the first it means]

Probably, I don't have any more to learn from the skill cards. Too OP absolute disassembly. While having a little curiosity, I appraise the card.

[Skill card ≪Twin Fang Attack≫]…. Skill ≪Twin Fang Attack≫ can be learned.

[Skill card ≪Enemy Search≫]…. Skill ≪Enemy Search≫ can be learned.

[Skill card ≪Strong Claws≫]…. Skill ≪Strong Claws≫ can be learned.

[Magic Card ≪Water Attributed Words≫]….It seems that you'll be able to use water attribute magic.

"….Yes?"

It is there in the result of the appraisal. Words I never saw before make me tilt my head.

Ma,magic Card? A green card that appears in a certain card game? (TLC: Yu-Gi-Oh, specifically, spell cards.)

Iya, what's more, the effect….eh, if I use this card, I will become a magician? It is fine not to wait until 30 years old?

When I think of such a thing, the skill cards and magic card turn into light and goes into my body.

And, that voice flows in my head.

[Skill card ≪Twin Fang Attack≫] has been learned.

[Skill card ≪Enemy Search≫] has been learned.

[Skill card ≪Strong Claws≫] has been learned.

[Magic Card ≪Water Attributed Words≫] has been learned.

I just can't get used to this… suddenly learning the skills like this is weird, isn't it?… I thought so that time with the Clever Monkey, why can't I just be happy?… Maa, is it because I didn't get them with my own power? ….Maa, if I don't become strong, then I can't survive…..I stop thinking about it deeply. To begin with, I'm only a commoner; it is impossible to learn skills…. apart from resistances. I shake my head, shake off what I was thinking, and immediately confirm the effect of the skill.

≪Twin Fang Attack≫…… Originally it was a skill that is activated with the fangs. Hold a weapon in both hands, then attack with both at the same time. Like that, give it a rotation and it can return the attack from

the enemy, a counter skill.

≪Enemy Search≫…… Presence, temperature, magic-power, all is detectable. With this skill, it is possible to recognize the presence of organisms in a radius of about 10m from the user of the skill.

≪Strong Claws≫…… It is possible to shoot the claws. With control, it can make a slash.

"……"

I was stunned.

All skills are too abnormal……! ≪Twin Fang Attack≫ is probably too strong!? While avoiding opponent attacks, you can damage your opponent! Counter!

And, ≪Enemy Search≫….. now, it does feel like the most important skill in this forest…..that amazing guy, Aqua Wolf…. To defeat it with one of my attacks, as expected, it's a fluke, isn't it?

≪Strong Claws≫, it somehow feels like a hand version of cutting leg. I can profit from this.

"So…… the effect of that magic card……"

[Water attribute magic:]…. Water attribute magic learned. I will be able to use all the magic of water attribute.

“Too Cheat!!!”

Terrific!? I will not become a magician!!! Suddenly learning all water magic attribute!! The aqua wolf efforts were for naught?! Somehow sorry!

Even if I apologize, it doesn’t mean that it will be forgiven…..! Because, I, without trying, got in my hands Water attribute magic that needs an unbelievable amount of effort just like that? If my position was reversed, I will resent it for my life.

And, water attribute magic information flows in my head.

“….Somehow, I am very sorry…..”

And I say that.

“T, to recover my mood, the next thing is….”

Then like that time with the Clever Monkey, the same booklet is here. On the cover of the booklet is written as “Knowledge of Aqua Wolf”.

For the time being I open the booklet.

[Aqua Wolf is a wolf that inhabits high level fields or dungeons and is called Kaijin Okami. Though it can’t use fire magic in its life, it can use water magic. When it is mating season, it normally has one child. It has a strong territorial instincts and it has a lot of turf wars with its

companions. It made a lot of war with the surroundings creatures to get more territory and it is proficient in detecting presence. It's also active at night.]

"What, it's named Kaijin Okami!!?"

Well, I wonder if it's because of the gray fur..... somehow there should be another name.....Wait, it was nocturnal? Until now, I haven't been attacked at night. Well I might have been fine because I sleep in the trees.....While I think such things, I turn the page.

"Life of Aqua Wolf"

"Again so grand!!!"

Did it not have any more titles!? ..... Mou, anything is fine.

Eventually As I flip through, the next page has the life of Aqua Wolf, the knowledge of several new types of useful plant, and names of the monsters who live in this forest written.

The booklet becomes a ball of light and goes into my body.

And, just like the knowledge of the Clever Monkey made a map in my head, this time, the page updates with the new info.

However, in the map of Clever Monkey and Aqua Wolf, for some reason, there is a part filled with black.

When I saw the map of the Clever Monkey, I thought the black part was a part outside the activities of the Clever Monkey, but now, in the map of the Aqua Wolf, the same part is black.

"Yes.....this seems like it needs to be investigated."

Maybe it could be a way to get out of this forest.

After all, with the knowledge of the Clever Monkey and now with the Aqua Wolf, I can find a way out of this forest.

"Well, its fine... for now I have to think of survival."

I still am at level 1.

"Then next is..."

The next thing I got is the status of the Aqua Wolf which turned into a sphere.

[Magic: 10000]

[ATK: 9874]

[DEF: 1230]

[AGI: 8762]

[Magic Attack: 5553]

[Magic defense: 4887]

[Luck: 20]

[Charm: 1000]

“Luck so low!!”

It is the only status that’s low! Wait, why do all the demons I come across have low luck? Is that? It’s unfortunate to meet a guy like me? Shit!

Furthermore, charm is high! And mine is still blank!

“….it’s fine, I don’t care. This means I will have a 100 plus in charm”

I am in a good mood! This way, I will recover my charm!….this is baaad. Until now I didn’t have a bit of confidence.

When I am in a high mood, the sphere of status goes into to my body. And paying no attention to the voice in my head, I decide to open the treasure chest.

“Weeell…..what is inside?”

I open the box in a good mood and with excited feelings.

When opening a thing filled with treasures and secrets, it raises your tension, right?!

“What will come out?”

I open the treasure crest while saying that. Inside is a single dagger.

“Oh….”

I take it out of the treasure crest and hold it in my hand.

It doesn’t have any ornate decoration, but the light blue gem studded in some places is mysterious. Even I feel strangely intimidated.

I immediately use appraisal to the dagger that was in my hand.

[Dagger of the Water Spirit’s Sphere]

……The dagger in which a spirit of the water was formerly sealed which caused a cataclysm that drove away and killed many people. Legend-class weapon. It can make a blade of water, can cut a lot, and doesn’t lose sharpness. When using water attributed magic, it considerably reduces the consumption of magic. The Water attributed magic’s effect is greatly increased.

“Huh!?”

Somehow I got something terrible in my hands. What’s more, Legend-class you know. Speaking of Legend-class, I got quite the rare classification. According to the different world knowledge that I got from God, there seems to be many levels of rarity.

Normal class…. It can be bought in normal Shop. It can be made normally. (TL note: I suppose that Shop exist in that world is only that our MC haven’t been in one))

Rare class… the better class of drop items from monsters. It has convenient effects when equipped.

Unique class…. It can be obtained defeating decently strong demons. It has a lot of effects when fighting.

Treasure class…. It can be obtained defeating powerful demons or in a treasure chest in dungeons. It has powerful effects.

Legend class….a low possibility of dropping after defeating strong demons or in treasure chests in high level dungeons. It has various powerful effects.

Mythology class….ultra-low-probability of dropping from a strong demon or in a treasure chest in ultra-high difficulty level dungeon. Because only a few humans got it, the effects aren’t well known.

Fantasy class….don’t know the method of obtaining. Effects unknown.

How rare is the Fantasy class? Even the obtaining method is unknown. Is there a benefit in making it? So I was thinking when obtaining the order of rarity from the other world knowledge that I got from God.

Because the effect is unclear, maybe it’s not known on how to use it. Unexpectedly someone could have it.

Anyway, this is the scale for rarity. Legend class is quite rare. I knew it. The Aqua Wolf was strong. In contrast, the Clever Monkey was weak as expected because it dropped a rare class. To be defeated by a fluke…. Aqua Wolf, somehow I am sorry.

“Ma, I got it in my hands, let’s equip it!”

I put the dagger in the space in my belt. It fits so well that I don’t worry about it falling off.

“…….Oh? There is another one.”

After equipping it, I see a second item inside the treasure chest. A bracelet with a small dark yellow jewel embedded is there.

“Is this a drop item as well?”

Even I think I won’t understand it, so let’s [Appraise] it fast.

[Night bracelet].....Unique class item. It is possible to keep the same kind of visibility of daytime at night.

"The effects of the equipment aren't half assed!"

Aqua Wolf is too amazing.....! As expected of a nocturnal!

What's more to see at night better than day..... it's so amazing, I have a weird feeling.

".....I will equip it though."

Because it is too amazing. I equip the [Night bracelet] on my right arm.

"Well.....last is the gold."

The gold will increase more.....While thinking so, I take out a bag from inside the treasure chest. 3 thousand platinum and 70 thousand gold coins were inside.

"Like I said, I do not need any more money!"

There is no place to use iiiit!!!!..... No, when I get out of the forest, it will be necessary.

"Mou enough..... either way it is going into the item box. It will show only in the status."

Waiting for the time I need to use it.

≪A large amount of exp has been confirmed. From here on, the evolution will take place.≫

“Shi————-”

I have completely forgotten. The Aqua wolf is a more powerful enemy than the Clever Monkey——

“Aghyyyaaaaah.”

Again, the terrible pain!

“My heeeeaaaaad! Its breakiiiiing!”

Recently thanks to my defensive posture, I thought I could endure it! But, take it out from your mind a second and this is the result!

“Noooooooooo~tsu!”

And just like that, I who endured the terrible pain in my head, is assaulted with pain in my face.

“————Tsu!”

The face unusually hurts! I am desperately clenching my teeth and trying to endure to not let out my voice.

Such a state in my face ends after I endure the severe pain.

“Fu~u! Fu~u!”

I want to cry with full force. But if I cry, it can become the same as that time with the Clever Monkey.

I continue to desperately endure so that I do not let out a voice.

But———

“What should I do about my lower bodyyyyyyy!”

The leg is still good. It hurts, but I can put up with it. But “there”, I can’t endure iiiiiiiiiiit!.

“Iiiiyaaaaaaaaaa! My manhood is aaaaaght!!”

Eh, it isn’t needed?….. Don’t say sad things. (TL: Pain makes him crazy. He is speaking alone plus making fun or himself. “Facepalm”. At least, console yourself man…) Only, the severe pain in my lower body can’t I stand. It’s making that Bakiboki sound. (TL: It’s starting to hurt me….)

But I, who have endured the severe pain until now, have not tentatively

lost the function of “there”. I can relax. (TL note: I am not a pure maiden. It’s just that the author keeps saying that place like that not using any name to refer it)

“But this hurts nne *eeeeeeeeeeeee*!?’

I can’t relax at all! Even now, “Gukya! Baki! Mekya!”, it is making this sound!

…..But is it my imagination? I get the feeling that “there” grew a bit since I was on Earth.

Ma, because I always saw it when I do the business, it may be a visual illusion.

All done, I have managed to survive the severe pain that can be said to also be torture.

“Ze~e …… Ze~e …… Ze~e ……”

I go to confirm the st,status…….

Even with my breath erratic, I didn’t forget to confirm the Status.

Chapter 10 - Sudden Assault

I, Hiiragi Seiichi is facing the reality in life I have never encountered before.

"Sake?"

"I'm a minor"

"If it is food I have here....."

"I love to but I'm not hungry."

"Then, let's go to sleep."

"I took enough sleep yesterday."

"Then let's be married already."

"I decline with full strength....oh, yes,yes,yes, tomorrow!"

----I'm proposed by a gorilla

Why did it became like this?

I can't understand the situation but can you? This situation, seriously!?

Calm down.....this is certainly a messed up setting here.

First, I have this gorilla in my sight.

But it isn't just a gorilla.

Its muscle is surely trained well, covered with burning red fur. It's face is indeed of gorilla's but that huge fang peeping out from its mouth was Implying an earthly idea.

---Kaiser Kong

This is the name of the gorilla in front of my eyes. and is a female.

Kong, different from king. Kong, not in the word donkey. But a Kaiser.

"It's my first, so be gentle okay?"

"Damareeeeeeeeee~tsu!" (It means silence! or isutappu!=stop)

The gorilla's cheeks was dye in red. I'd like to die soon

By the way, I think I know what this gorilla is.

It came from the knowledge I gained from the Clever monkey and AquaWolf.

"Child, I want ten child. Let's demonstrate and multiply already."

"Don't open that mouth for entire life. Maybe you just can die with it....."

Don't you settle at all!? I can't understand what this gorilla's talking about anymore.

.....She also acts calmly saying such things.

Ignoring the Kaiser kong, I tried recalling, the past happening to understand more of the current situation.

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I harvested the drop items of AquaWolf, withstood the pain from evolving, then confirmed their enhancing status

≪ Hiiragi Seiichi ≫

Race: Super New-breed Humanity

Gender: Male

Occupation: Forest Man

Age : 17

Level : 1

Magic : 10024

ATK: 13075

Defense : 11323

Agility : 13252

Magic Attack : 9563

Magic defense : 10665

Luck :9020

Charm:

≪ Equipped≫

[(Ultimate Weapon) Student's Uniform]

[(Ultimate Weapon) Student's Pants]

[Underwear of Sure Death]

[Undershirt of Sure Death]

[Kensaru Chain]

[Kensaru Rod]

[Water Spirit Ball Dagger]

[Bracelet of the Night]

≪ Skill≫

[Advance Appraisal]

[Absolute Disassemble]

[Paralysis Resistance]

[Wind Resistance]

[Sleep Resistance]

[Confusion Resistance]

[Charm Resistance]

[Petrification Resistance]

[Hindrance Resistance]

[Poison Resistance]

[Cutting Leg]

[Moment]

[Super Compoundin]

[Tool Production: Super First-Class]

[Fatigue Resistance]

[Fangs Strike]

[Search Enemy]

[Hard Nails]

≪ State≫

Evolution x 1

≪ Title≫

Smelly Player

≪ Money Possessed≫

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"Naze da!" (TL: It means "why is it" or simply "Why")

My charm is still blank! I gave up and I don't care anymore.....

but do charm really need to be leave in blank!? Is the column intentionally in blank? pitying me? If it means the same with not hating bean jam it is still insulting!

But why does it have to be blank? For what reason do they have a grudge against me !?

Before I knew it, my race changed to Super New-breed Humanity!? Would my hair be blonde sooner? (TL: I Imagine him as a foreigner or Saiyan.)

I begin to imagine myself being a Blondie, it's still me. Nothing changed.

Still, magic is not displayed on the status column for some reason. Oh, as I think about magic some texts about magic suddenly popped up on my mind so its not that problematic. Though it is only water attribute I got.

"Haa.....But, evolution is currently x 1....."

Besides that I was able to lose weight, an actual feeling to evolve isn't liked very much after all.

Evolving gives me acute pain, and in the plane my evolution doesn't

appear from myself so I hardly think it's beneficial, a fraud evolution.

"Ma.....betsuni ii ka" (English: "Well....it's okay")

Even thinking of evolution, it's not that troubling so, it's okay.

I carelessly think and nodded to myself alone.

"--~Tsu!?"

I noticed an existence of creature approaching by [Search Enemy] skill that I obtained just some time ago.

Apparently, [Search Enemy] is activated all this time and I can sense it approaching the area where I stood.

".....it's surrounding me!?"

So, I was encircled between sometime around.

I still don't know what kind of creature is surrounding me but the fact doesn't change that it is an enemy.

"Damn.....I still don't know how to use magic in range.....!!"

While clicking my tongue, I became wary of the situation.

Then the creatures which surrounded around me jumped out all at once and appeared.

"……Clever Monkey!?"

It was a group of clever monkey that jumped on me.

This? Did they plan to have revenge for their fallen comrade?

do.....Would they forgive me if I prostate myself.....Pride? what's that?

Are they fearful of me? Why aren't they attacking?

"...???"

I twisted a neck, and it was when I received the answer about the reason why it didn't attack.

"Human, you the first I have seen." (TL: literally what it says. The speaker has speech issues.)

I heard someone speaking human language suddenly.

I look around in a hurry, but it's still mystery who issued those presenting words.

But it was human words and I'm sure of it.

"In this forest, other human than me!?"

It was me who's filled with curiosity and strange expectation, but a strange sound audible in the ear suddenly.....

Hyuuu~u~u~u~u~u.....

"...eh....?"

Zudooooooooooontsu! (TL: Flash explosion like kaboom!)

Something fell suddenly from the sky when I heard the sound!

"Wa...what's this?"

When looking at the dust increasing due to a tremendous shock, eventually a shadow came out from the dust.

It's because of---

A stupid voice suddenly came out.

"Human, I declare war--"

———— This is because it was a gorilla that fell on the sky.

Author's Note:

It's very short and Seiichi has stopped the previous affair in the state to which he's still looking back. Excuse me.

By the way, this gorilla is the heroine. [Baku] (TL: Baku = Blast)

Shinka 11 – Clash

“With me, fight.”

Is what gorilla-san said in front of me. Is it an idiot?

“By the way, the bet is…….”

“Don’t want to.”

“……”

This is a first for me. A gorilla denies my rights as a human.

I quit thinking. I’m somewhat tired……

I, who doesn’t have enough energy to even Tsukkomi, appraise the gorilla in front of me quietly.

[Kaiser Kong Lv:775 «State» Evolution × 1]

I regret it.

“Do U~wei~tsu!?”

That unbelievable level make me raise a strange voice.

No, no, no. Isn’t it strange!? More than 700!? I can’t understand the meaning of this!

In addition, as for that [State] that I have not seen before on monsters until now. Furthermore, evolution x1?! Has it evolved the same way I did?!

No matter how many times I rub my eyes, what I see in front of me doesn't change.

"Something wrong?"

"No, nuthin at all....."

I-I can't answer right!? ... This is bad... I don't have any will to win...!

That reminds me, Clever Monkeys know that Kaiser Kongs are above them.

As I thought, did this gorilla come here to challenge me in order to get revenge?

No. If that is so, when they appeared, why didn't they attack simultaneously then? I'll fight you fair and square even if you attack in a group.

When I bend my neck while thinking, the Kaiser Kong in front of me snaps its finger.

"Don't worry. Other than me, won't let others to obstruct us."

No, that isn't the problem here-!?

Without any other means to understand what the gorilla said to me, it stepped forward being ready for battle.

"Soon quickly end. Relax."

"It'll end quickly? Isn't it me being dead."

"....."

"…Say something!"

Scary! Is it for revenge, like I thought?

"Okay, I go."

"Eh! No, wai——"

"Hmph!"

"UH OH UH TSU……."

As the Kaiser Kong moves in front of me at tremendous speed, my hand just reacts to it.

"Amazing, it's the first time I have been kicked. First time.. po~tsu."

"Why are you blushing on that!"

The heck? Is it perverted? Is it a lie? Please tell me it's a lie! No, is it because it's a gorilla that it looks perverted? But it's obvious it's a gorilla though.

This only makes me disgusted!

"Strong, Healthy, Male."

"I'm scared of gorillas now!"

So you are a pervert!….I start to think about what would happen in the worst case scenario….if it comes to worst….No, let's stop thinking.

While we have this kind of exchange, Kaiser Kong tries to attack me knowing I let my guard down.

So with that, I advance my foot lightly and…….

"……Ei!" (TLC: The gorilla attacked.)

"…E bu~tsu!"

— –I failed to see that.

Suddenly Kaiser Kong throws a stone at me and it hits my face…..It hurts a lot.

But because I kept on enduring the pain of evolution, I'm not as weak as to cry from a mere rock!……which is unpleasant to be accustomed to.

That aside, even though the rock is thrown with that kind of arm strength, I'm glad I didn't take that much damage.

" Mu, negi geru, dame." (English: Nothing, Escape Gel, not good)

"It's not "not good"!? If that hit me, I would've died!"

Kaiser Kong's thick, flailing arms comes near and even when it barely hits me, something in my body seems to be blown off. I can also feel the bones being shattered because of the momentum.

"If this continues, I won't get any more chances……[Cutting Legs]!"

Just like the time I used [Cutting Legs] on the Aqua Wolf, I swing and release it with full force.

" ! "

However, when I thought Kaiser Kong created an opening, it easily

dodges my attack with a speed that doesn't match its large body.

"Dangerous....."

"You're the dangerous one!"

Why are you dodging my attack? Why are you so nimble despite having such a big body?! Isn't it unfair?!

"Well then, me too. [Madokaude Shunwan]!" (TL:Instant Skill: Blinking Arm.)

" !? "

Ugghhh....

"Blurghhh?!"

I didn't see the attack of Kaiser Kong at all. When I start to think about how it activated something like a skill, it suddenly comes. In other words, I was hit by Kaiser Kong.

I, who was sent flying, finally hit the ground after knocking down a few trees.

" Geho~tsu ! Goho~tsu ! "

I cough while holding my belly, struggling.

The thing that comes out of my mouth is dark-red blood.

“N-, No more….”

I couldn’t help crying from pain.

But, in this situation, my life is in danger, so I immediately take out the super effective recovery medicine from my item box, and drink it all at once.

“Puha~a~Tsu!…..I thought I was going to die… …”

Go, gorillas are scary!……I don’t want to see a gorilla again in the zoo my entire life.

Ah, that’s right, I can’t return to Earth.

While I was thinking that, Kaiser Kong catches up with an unimaginable speed.

“Amazing, My [Instant Arm] didn’t kill you.”

After all, you really want to commit homicide!

“My interest is getting bigger, I, Strong male, Want.”

“No thank you, you gorilla.”

“My name’s not gorilla. It’s Saria.”

“Why do you have an unnecessarily bishoujo-like name?”

This is fraud! I request an explanation! Someone! Someone please help-!

Even more so, why do you have a name?! Isn't it Kaiser Kong!? Why am I dissatisfied about this!?.....Well, isn't this fine?

Rather, hey, engage in conversation with me... ...! (Mou~!) Really, which is it?

"So [Cutting Legs] is not enough..... [Hard Nails]!"

Around the place, I start to run, activating my Tsuyoshitsume skill.

(Tsuyoshi = Hard/Strong/strenght , Tsume = Nail/s)

As I swing down my arm all the way, the next thing is that 5 lines of claw swipes suddenly fly towards Kaiser Kong.

"Tou~tsu!" (Eng: A hit!)

"It was avoided?!"

However, Kaiser Kong softly jumps on the spot effortlessly, avoiding all the nails.

"Skill, sugoi" (Eng: Skill, wow/cool/amazing.)

"Ahhh.....I see?"

I'm already desperate, becoming senile.

"And in the first place, fighting with a weapon, using the dagger would certainly be bad as to how I'm immature with it, I could use the [Monkey Ken Rod], but the distance is an issue..."

I think about how I could fight while staying at a distance.

Then Kaiser Kong is soon in a state of floating in the air; you won't believe your eyes about seeing such an action.

"Then, follow me. Pierce of the empty air, [Sky Thrust]."

"Yes~s~ssssss!?"

Suddenly Kaiser Kong, whatever principle it is, kicks the air and then comes rushing at me!

"Ooooooooooo."

"Iyaaaaaaaaaaa! Kowaiiiiiiiii!" (Possible Eng: Huh!!!!!!!! Scary/ that was scary!!!!!!)

I didn't think that a gorilla flying over would be such a scary spectacle!

Perhaps the skill makes you step into the empty air and dash, but hell, it is unexpected and terrifying!

I twist my body at the last minute and successfully spring back farther than where I was.

Zudoooooon!

Then Kaiser Kong just smashes the ground where I stood just a while ago.

"....it would be good if it just killed itself from that absurd attack....."

After all, she hit the ground with tremendous strength. As expected,

she probably…….

“I’m surprised. My [Sky Thrust] can cut the wind, but you avoided it as I thought.”

“That’s bad, she’s perfectly fine!.”

There’s no damage. I really want to cry.

“In this situation where I can’t even land an attack, what should I do?”

I can manage to counter with the skill [Double Fang Strike], but even this seems like it can be avoided.

As I’m thinking such thoughts, Kaiser Kong shows me an impression that would likely be an attack.

“Ja, [Instant skill].”

“Tsu!?”

“The skill that sent me flying!:

In that moment, by judging it where it is all or nothing bet, I grab the [Water Spirit Ball Dagger] and the [Monkey Ken Rod] at my sides and try activating [Double Fang Strike].

“[Double Fang Strike] tsu!”

Next as if it is a slow-motion replay, the other party’s movement is slowly revealed to me as she slowly extends her arms at me.

Surprised in such situation, I push my two weapons at the enemy to parry and receive it's thrusting arm.

"I've got you now!"

I surely thought so at that time.

But, Kaiser Kong can't be done in so easily.

In my vision, her figure is seen slowly as I attack, but Kaiser Kong handles my attack contrary to my expectations.

Heartily!

"Haa !?"

"……"

I utter this surprised voice to match the Kaiser Kong's unexpected conduct.

"…really amazing. I barely managed to see that."

As for Kaiser Kong in that slow-motion, I didn't know, but she manages to go between my guard and then stick out her arms to grab my hands, preventing my attack.

"Tsu !" (TL: Imagine their position.)

As the danger closes in, my instincts then follows, At point blank range where my hands are held, I activate [Cutting Legs].

Then, Kaiser Kong lets go of my hands to follow and at speed far greater than the skill [Momentum], my [Cutting Legs] is dodged in unrecognizable speed.

"……"

The cold sweat doesn't stop.

It's too strong. It seems that I wasn't that strong after all. As the result of fighting Clever Monkeys and Aqua Wolfs and the little power I got…… I may have been too confident of myself.

When I get out of this forest, will I be the prey of demons?

……Let's postpone the issue later. If I think negative thoughts, surely my mind will definitely go dark!

But, as all of my skills doesn't make sense and is not successful, I also don't know how to deal with it.

It'll be acting without rehearsal, but it may be that I don't have a choice, but to use magic to compensate.

I, thinking so, immediately start to use magic.

Although it's not written in the status column, all information about water attribute magic was inputted to my head. I understand the consumption of Magical Power, but also don't know a thing of it as I don't see it.

Now that I decide to use it in actual fighting, I raise the consumption of MP to the highest for the Water attribute magic.

It's the same with ドラ(Dora) and マダ(mada) ! The higher the magic consumption, the stronger the power is.

In addition, currently, I have the [Water Spirit Ball Dagger]. Being weak in water magic would be unlikely.

As for the magic consumption being the most valued knowledge, I know many ways to make use of magic consumption. One of them will be used.

"……."

The gorilla in front of me starts to tilt its head immediately as I become quiet.

This time is the best to get in a hit!

So now, I'll use this different world's thing called magic…!

"[Fall Disaster]!"

I raise my right arm to the heavens and shout. Why did I raise my hand? Because it's cool, you know!

"Na~tsu!" (Possible Eng: "what……?" or "Eh…..?")

I just used magic and Kaiser Kong's eyes and mouth are wide open as if she knows what magic I'm using.

Fufufu……Was my magic a successful hit?

While thinking such things, I get why the Kaiser Kong did have that expression.

.....dododododododododododododo~tsu!

“EH ? ”

I think I hear this amazing sound coming from above. Involuntary my line of vision is attracted to the sky.

“……”

I didn’t see that……!

“HAAAaaaaaaaaaaaa!?”

The origin of the sound from the sky — — is a tremendous amount of water.

“Eh !? That thing…….isn’t this situation awkward?”

The upcoming water falling from the sky, its landing point is surely my position.

“Tenma, have to avoid——”

(TL: Tenma is written in characters evil and sky. He means that the water is evil coming from the sky……not the pegasus meaning of tenma. In the raws it is written in katakana.)

However, my thoughts are just in vain. The ruthless large amount of water which has fallen from the sky gives me this tremendous shock.

Dobaaaaaaaaaa~tsu! (TL: Gitaigo/Onomatopoeia for shock/a hit.)

“aba baba baba baba baba baba baba! There…….. breathe!”

I can’t seem to move as well for I’m pinned down by the force onto the ground.

“……”

Because I feel her stare, suddenly my eyes are somehow turned to her. She is stunned and is looking at me.

The heck. Why is Kaiser Kong left undamaged?

“This feeling is not far from being ripped bobobobobobobo~tsu !”

Oh, I can’t breath…..seriously!

Ultimately, that scene where I drown is for three minutes until I am released from the violent attack of water.

Chapter 12: Conclusion/ End

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「……」

「……」

During my fight with the Kaiser Kong, a subtle pause in the fight appeared.

…… Mou ne, what was that. You're that eager to hit me. I want to die.

For the mean time, I somehow got up, because I didn't want to experience the pain that would come if this situation continues.

「Fu, fufufu… You're quite something…」

「No, I just want to self-destruct…」

「Noooooooo!」

I wanna hide in a hole if I can find one! I tried lying, but a really precise tsukkomi appeared!

It's "that" huh. Magic needs practice. If this continues my body won't

hold.

「……Do you want to continue?」

「Give me a break…」

What's with me? Selfishly dying and collapsing mentally? Even so, it seems that this gorilla-san still wants to continue?

「… Then, let's go?」

Is what I heard from Kaiser Kong, but I would be helpless if it were to attack right now. My body hurts all over, and I can't activate any skills instantly or recover.

But, if magic can't be used to satisfy this situation, then… Do I have a technique to defeat her?

Nevertheless, the Kaiser Kong in front of me is really honest. Even going through the trouble to ask if it's okay to attack me… It's even sympathizing with me, or is it just my imagination. My luck has increased, right?

More importantly, I seriously don't have a plan to end this conflict…….

My skills won't hit, and I can't really use magic. My body only recovers when I use medicine, but during that time I'll get attacked, right. It's because she honestly asked if it's okay to attack that I feel that it's ok to

recover…

Something… Something that I can use……!

I rotate my head with all of my might, it was while I was thinking of turning the tables on her.

「Mou, I've waited long enough. Here I go!」

「E!?」

Mou, I thought that she'd wait for a bit but, Kaiser Kong came at me with dreadful speed.

Luckily, she didn't use a skill, so if I think about dodging it I can. … If it was the fully recovered me that is.

It's because I fired my strongest magic that my body hurts all over, so I can't move my body like I want.

What do I do……!

While thinking that, I remember the secret weapon I was hiding.

「I also have… My smell!」

That clever monkey died as a result of that deadly smell……!

Ah, but, because of that previous attack, maybe the smell has faded…….

However, that is not a problem for the current me.

Because I have the title of『Smelly Player』!

With this title, I have a complete mastery of controlling my smell, although, as a result I don't know whether to be happy or lament about it.

「Fuhahahaha! Kaiser Kong!」

「! …… What?」

The Kaiser Kong's attack stopped, and she stood still in place. … So honest.

「You have no way of winning now!」

「Why is that?」

「It's because… I have a secret weapon!」

「Wha-What did you say!?」

Why do you even know that. No, it's just a coincidence.

「If you get close to me your life will be forfeit……!」

「… What the heck, is happenin'?」

The Kaiser Kong didn't hide her bewilderment from my speech. Well, that reaction is normal. Dying just by getting close would usually be unbelievable.

However, my body odor is outrageous, my special move! I sacrificed pride as a human just to obtain this greatest move!

I immediately used the『Smelly Player』status, releasing the maximum smell.

This title allows one to have full mastery of control over their smell, but can't produce the smell itself. In short, the smell I can use is either strong or weak.

Therefore, in no less than a 10 cm radius my strong smell will waft the air.

However, given that it is a smell, it only works in a short range.

Therefore, I have a plan to use my clothes to increase the range of the smell. Otherwise, before the smell reaches her a fist will cave in my face.

「Now then! Come at me!」

「……」

I rapidly fan my clothes as such. For some reason, the Kaiser Kong seems to be backing away.

But, while I was distracted for a second, the Kaiser Kong disappeared from her location.

She probably used the skill『Instant Skill.』

「……Mou, this is the end.」

When I heard those short words, the Kaiser Kong suddenly appeared in front of me, then her fist appeared before my eyes.

「!」

As I thought, it was hopeless!? I can't win with smell!? Did it even reach her!?

It appears that my smell didn't reach at all, and I instantly regretted my actions.

I'm so stupid. There's no way I can kill with smell. … Even though the Clever monkey died. Tha-That was just a coincidence!

I've already given up and accepted the fist that is heading straight to my face.

「!」

Pita.

That kind of onomatopoeia was almost attached, as scary force of her fist stopped centimeters from my face.

My eyes were unintentionally drawn to the fist, and I felt the drip of cold sweat down my back.

Let's keep it a secret that I almost peed myself.(TL: Help " 少しちびりそうだったのは内緒だ" . this is what I think of this line.)

I blink my eyes countless times. The me that was looking at the fist wondered why the punch suddenly stopped, and finally peeked at the Kaizer Kong's expression.

「Po~……」(TL: this is the sound effect when extremely blushing.)

「……」

I shouldn't have looked.

What a disgusted look! A really beefy female gorilla's face is blushing and playing dumb!?

Or rather, What's wrong Kaiser Kong!? What the heck happened!?

While I was thinking that, she suddenly showed a serious face, or so I thought, but, with that expression the Kaizer Kong firmly gripped both of my shoulders. … What the, was it so disgusting that it made her reaction late!?

Feeling anxious about what will happen as a result of my blunders, I stared at the Kaiser Kong in front of me, whose cheeks were gradually turning red. Then, her lips parted.

「……Suki」

「……What?」

Wait wait wait. Wait wait wait. Calm down me. Uh, what did she say just now? If it wasn't just my imagination, I think I heard『Suki』…….

That's the only possibility, but I want to throw it away, if I respect her feelings, I might be pursued even more.

「Let's get married now.」

「……」

Yabai, what do I say. This is surpassing my mental output's tolerance level. What hell is this Kaiser Kong saying?!

Taking advantage of my confusion, the Kaiser Kong grabbed my hand and dragged me away.

「Strong male. Your pheromone is amazing. Really cool. I'll bring you home to our nest. And make children」

「……」

The situation gradually sinks in.

Then————

「WHAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAT!!!!????」

I shouted.

◆◇◆

「It's over, she doesn't understand…!」

My injuries were treated thoroughly by the Kaiser Kong, in order to try to investigate the cause of this I looked back at our battle, but…

Seriously, why has this happened!? What did I do!?

I completely understand the situation I am now in, but I don't understand why this situation occurred.

「What's the problem? Do you want to eat?」

Kaiser Kong, Saria-san, offered me food. Kutabaru. (TL: kick the bucket.)

「Look here, I said I don't want any, right? More to the point, would you please let me go?」

「No. Seiichi, my husband.」

「I'm nooooooot! I am a human! You're a "kuso gorilla" Understand!? Our races are different!? First off, I won't ever marry a gorilla! You understand right!?」 (TL: So mean.)

「I, not a "Kuso gorilla". Saria」

「Just shut uuuuuuuuup!」

Anyone! Is there any comrade I can share this pain with!? If there is bring him here at light speed!

By the way, the "kuso gorilla" knows my name because I reluctantly ended up saying it, due to a simple threat, or rather, the outcome of a request. I was told that she will kiss me right there if I lied.

What's more, I can't lie because I feel like she will see through it, so I ended up helplessly saying my true name. I wanna die.

Haa, Haa…… Is the only retort I could rough up with because, in front of me food appeared.

The food in front of me that was prepared for me, is, honestly tasty.

Unfamiliar meats and fruits, and a variety of vegetables were used, how the heck did she cook all this, it has become『Cuisine』.

My mouth refuses, but I'm pretty hungry.

If it comes to this, even though my stomach growls————

Gururururu~.

「……」

「You, hungry. Eat」

I don't want this anymoreeeeeeeee!

But, my stomach has already growled, so I can't say that I'm full.

Also, the Kaiser Kong in front of is gallantly looking after me, so, reluctantly I accept the dish and carry the food to my mouth.

Even if I eat poison, it won't work on me……

Even though I have that skill, I still feel a bit anxious as I carefully bring the food close to my mouth.

The dish in my hand has something, an unfamiliar roasted meat. However, it's not just roasted. Guessing from the smell it has something like garlic, pepper, and other vegetables with spices, overall it has a good aroma that tickles my nose.

After appraising it for a second, the smell indicated that this was『Pawn Dragon Steak』. D-dragon…..

As expected of the Kaiser.

I timidly put the food I was given into my mouth.

「……」

I sufficiently chewed and swallowed it.

「————— ！」

My eyes went "Ga," widening. If I was to make an expression like those

in manga, it would be that my eyes are shooting beams of light.

Anyway, it caused that kind of reaction…… The pawn dragon steak-ish thing was delish.

N-no! It's the ingredients! It's because the ingredients are good! Other cooking…. Ah, surely the stew sitting before won't be any good!

Next, I reached for the stew-ish thing and appraised it, and discovered this contained Clever Monkey meat. …… What the…

「Clever Monkey!?」

Is this cannibalism!? No, it's a different type of monkey so it might not be cannibalism…

Even so, it's her comrade right!? Eh, do you even cook them!?

Noticing that the ingredients surprised me, the Kaiser Kong explained.

「We're not comrades. Don't selfishly attach me to them. However, they do listen to what I say.

I, make profit」

Uwaa…… Don't mind the clever monkey.

They’re smart, but they’re being used.

However, the clever monkey’s meat was supposed to be disgusting. As a result, even cooked it will be disgusting, right.

Normally, I wouldn’t hope that the food I put into my mouth is disgusting, but, this time I won’t say such a stupid thing so, I was hoping for this to turn out the other way. Once again, I put the stew in mouth.

「……」

I hung my head.

It’s good… What’s with this? What the heck…

Thinking in such a way, naturally I should have taken damage.

「I made it all. Is it good?」

「Really!?」

Liar-W…… Why are you so good at cooking…….

With a heavy feeling, the “Kuso Gorilla” slowly pursued me, going on the offensive.

「Oh yeah, Seiichi, worn out. I made new thing.」

「Made!?」

What the Kaiser Kong handed to me was, something that is usually found on earth, made from fine quality materials that I've never seen before. Although, they couldn't be called perfect, they were definitely a pair of shirt and trousers.

The shirt was white and the trousers black.

「Both, monsters that I met, made from web. It's robust, fine materials」

It looks like the Kaiser Kong in front of me made this.

「Clothes, take off afterwards. Wash in the river」

「Someone save meeeeeeeeee!」

I shouted with all my might.

What the heck is this really? Your "Joushi Ryoku" is really high! It's too excessive right!? (TL: Girl power)

Cooking, laundry, sewing… Also, the nest you have in one part of the forest is clean, so thinking about it you're also good in cleaning.

Isn't this turning into a discussion about your qualifications as a wife!?

A completely flawless body!? …… If you weren't a Gorilla!?

「I, be a good wife?」

「Yeah you will be!? If the husband is a gorilla!」

「No way…… So embarrassing. If Seiichi say so, then let's get married now.」

「I said if it's a GORILLAAAAAAAAAA!」

I passed down my judgment…! But I can't win…! What a hard lifeeeeeeee!

Is that it? The Kaiser Kong in front of me thinks that she and I are equals!?

Is that so!?

I somehow took a deep breath and regained my coolness despite the desperate situation.

I caught my breath and calmly thought about this.

I have to do something to escape this hell……!

For that, which way do I need to run?

If I run away… That's it. Even if it's the Clever monkey's intelligence, or if it's the "akurourufu"'s intelligence, let's run on the portion of the map that's blackened.

Even if the Clever monkey shares a lot of characteristics with this "Kuso Gorilla," if there was a blackened part, then maybe the "Kuso Gorilla" won't know about that part. Even though it knows the place, it doesn't know what kind of place it is, sorta like that?

Then when should I run…

It happened while I was thinking about that.

Not bothering about the emergency, but above all, why now? I don't feel like it, but I suddenly questioned the Kaiser Kong in front of me.

「Oi, "Kuso Gorilla"」

「Not "Kuso Gorilla". I, Saria」

「Shut up. So, how come you can also use the same language as mine?」

What caught my attention was the fact that the Kaiser Kong in front of me can skillfully speak the same language as me.

That Clever monkey doesn't use words. However, this Kaiser Kong can easily come to an understanding with me.

Are you happy with me asking such a question…

「That is, because of a book I found in the nearby cave.」

「Cave? Also, a book?」

I inclined my head, and the “Kuso Gorilla” took a few steps away from the thicket, taking out a two-volume book.

Both books were tattered, one was thick, the other thin.

「It’s because I read these books, that I learned.」

「……」

Seriously… What an amazing “Kuso Gorilla.”

I accepted both books and looked at the cover of the thin book.

『Seikatsu Mahou no Gokui』(TL: Daily life with magic’s greatest secrets… I think)

「Daily life with magic」

Hearing a familiar word confused me. While in confusion, I tried

opening the book.

After doing so, I found that the books contained information on how to use the convenience of magic in daily life.

A simple magic to start a fire. A magic to fill up a cup with water. Magic to dry the laundry. Magic to soften the land for easy plowing for crops… Everything was really trivial; it was filled with ways to use magic conveniently.

But inside, a single magic caught my attention. That magic was called『Wash』.

Saying it simply, this magic cleans the dust, filth and grime from the body. It can't clean the clothes, but if it is used on the body it will make daily life a homerun.

My body is pretty dirty so… Well, it feels like my magic will almost kill me while at the same time clean me a little.

If this magic was for a commoner it will likely be a popular usable magic. It makes the bathing experience of the rich aristocrat and merchant the same.

「Hee…… It really is a convenient magic」

It was during the time I mumbled.

『Daily life magic was learned』

「……」

The voice echoed in my head.

… How do I say this, I immediately learned the magic. But this thing needs practice and the like, right?

… Well, I learned it so there's nothing to lose.

Now that I've learned Daily magic, I closed the『Seikatsu Mahou no Gokui』and reached for the thick volume.

For the time being, I read the title of the book to confirm it.

『The diary of Abel "yuusha"』

「Hee, The diary of Abel yuusha huh……」

A diary huh… I don't want to continue reading this kind of thing…

……

「Yuushaa!?」

Shocked by this truth, I let out a surprised voice.

Eh!? Diary of a “yuusha”!? Seriously!? This isn’t a fake right!?

I was slightly dumbfounded from shock while I opened the book.

『×× Year ● Month ○ Day. I was chosen as the hero, and it’s finally the day of departure. The minister of Pieru was assigned as a healer, and Glass as vanguard.

The logical support sage was Liliana, and Anna was the hunter. Everyone personally accepted from the king the fate of subjugating the Demon Lord. With this, I travelled with my treasured group. We need to protect the world, but I don’t want anyone to die. I’ll fight to the limits of my strength!』

「Wow, it’s really hero-ish, he is. Anyway, Demon lord and Hero, just noble is that path.」

Well, my past colleagues were involved in something like a hero summoning, right? I wonder how Kenji is?

With that in mind, as I remember the hero summoning of my friend, I gradually continued reading.

However, as the pages progress, they become more tattered.

『×× Year ● Month ○ Day. It has been one year since we started

travelling. No one has been lost, this long yet short trip was thanks everyone. But, as we progressed through our journey we passed by many different towns and villages, laying eyes upon those places and their situations I want to help them. My wish to hastily defeat the demon lord strengthens. As a hero, I was assigned this mission by the ——country's——king and to repay the people that supported me.』

『×× Year ● Month ○ Day. We managed to track down one of the leaders of the Demon lord's army. However, cost was big, a friend that was with me throughout this long journey was Glass. It was the result of her covering for me. My weakness and wretchedness filled me with a target-less anger, even now I feel like exploding.

Why am I this weak! I'm not strong at all! Even so, I was praised by everyone as a hero, this is the result of me getting on a high horse……! I won't let the same mistake happen again. Even though I am disheartened, Liliana and Anna kindly comforted me.

Glass, for your supreme atonement, I will get the demon lord's head!』

「……Yuusha is so popular. Pieru, so pitiable……」

『×× Year ● Month ○ Day. I have finally defeated the Demon Lord. However, what was waiting for us was the cruelty of reality. Pieru double-crossed us. After defeating the Maou, Pireu attacked the tired me. I somehow protected Liliana and Anna, and we ran with our lives. We reported Pieru's double crossing to the ——Country's——king』

「He betrayed!? Pieru!? It's that huh, effect of being jealous of the popular hero!?」

『×× Year ● Month ○ Day. I am disappointed in the humans. What was waiting for me was condemnation from the citizens. It looks like I was even tricked by the country. According to information underground, the rumor that was spread was that I was connected to one of the murderous leaders of the Maou army who was left behind. Even more, concerning the matter of the revival of the maou, the country and its leaders devised a disastrous scenario. But, I no longer care about that. I'll return to the country, and for my beloved Liliana and Anna, who were murdered, I'll pursue this diary later. Everywhere, there are foolish humans, but, by remembering my travels with Liliana and Anna, the things I don't want to be reminded of fade.

If anyone reads this diary, please don't ever repeat the same mistake. Some future, wishing for the future—— Abel』

I gently closed the diary.

……。

「Ugh, so heavy!」

I slammed the diary to the ground with all my might.

「What's with this!? Normally, you write about the fun things from your everyday life in a diary, right!? Surely you also write painful and sad things, but, this is too much, right!?」

E-……Then what? I'll work not to repeat the same mistake after reading

this diary?

Don’t say unreasonable things! First and foremost, the most important things are tattered! Is it on purpose!?

「Haa……Haa……」

「Seiichi, calm down. You have me.」

「It’s because of you that its become a disaster!」

「Marriage, able to?」

「Just die!」

I’ll definitely run away from this Kuso Gorilla……! Is what I promised.

Shinka 13 Risking my Life

Time sure flies, doesn't it? Moreover, it's scary that I have become accustomed to it.

It has been one week since the Kaizer Kong, Saria (Although I don't have the will to call her this), has taken me captive.

…You know, I am turned off by myself, because I have started to think, "Isn't a gorilla fine?".

As expected, a gorilla is probably bad. I mean, we belong to completely different races.

However, if we talk about that damn gorilla's housework, its amazing to the point where I start to think, "Isn't it better than the average human woman?"

I am surprised.

And, recently the damn gorilla have given me permission to touch her hair, it's unbelievably comfortable to the touch. Her tail is also amazingly smooth and fluffy (fuwafuwa) to touch.

Though I have been continuously cursing severely, in the first place, I was in no position to do so. I was a bullying victim as well.

Although I have lost weight, when I was on Earth, I was fat, disgusting,

unattractive, filthy, and stinky….

Man, aren't I the worst? If poorly handled, I would be crueler than the gorilla.

No, it would definitely be absolutely terrible.

While thinking about that sort of thing, I realize that I am satisfied with being able to always eat delicious food without worry, it is about time to start thinking, "I need to escape from here.".

"Seiichi, here."

"Yes, thank you."

I receive breakfast from the gorilla……uwa, it's like we are newly-wed. This is dangerous. My mental state thinks lightly of the situation while I started eating breakfast.

…It is as delicious as ever. If she wasn't a gorilla, she would be a very good wife.

"That…is embarrassing"

"Don't go reading my mind!"

This fellow is scary at times. After all, she's reading my mind.

The Kaizer Kong…the damn gorilla before me seems to be showing more of her personality traits recently, this damn gorilla did a gesture which seems to have remembered something.

"Come to think of it, today, is exploration day."

"Exploration?"

I ask involuntarily.

"Yeah. Me and the Clever Monkey compete, Fruit Of Evolution, search"

"?!"

The fruit of evolution?!

I widen my eyes in surprise at the words which came out from the damn gorilla's mouth.

"Seiichi, Fruit Of Evolution, do you know?"

"……"

What should I do?……Should I honestly say that I know it? More importantly, I wonder if I can get information if I pretend to not know it.

I thought about it a little, and decide to pretend not to know about it.

"…No, haven't heard about it."

Like that, the Kaizer Kong nodded.

"Is that so. Then, I will teach you. Fruit Of Evolution, amazing. That race, best at growing. Various stats, will be surpassed after reborn"

…In other words, after eating a Fruit Of Evolution, evolution will occur and that race will attain excellent stats?

…Yeah, I don't understand.

Eh, then what's with me? Will I become the strongest human being or not? Will my intelligence increase? Will my appearance improve?

I don't have a human to compare my strength with, and I am still at level 1…As for my head I don't seem to have any better of a memory, there does not seem to have been any changes to my head in any good way. I am still as stupid as ever! My Charm in status is still blank!… Even though I have already used life magic-[Wash]. I want to die already.

By the way, I am wearing my clothes that the damn gorilla prepared and even took to the trouble of washing it. Even though it was filthy, the damn gorilla said it's a waste of good material, so now it is clean and beautiful.

Even the underwear as well, though it is a bit different in terms of material, it feels comfortable, furthermore the vines from a tree called [Byorn Juji] have excellent elasticity, and it is a durable material, I used it as a substitute for the so-called rubber in my trousers and underwear. As for my previous clothing, underwear and trousers, because the damn gorilla have been desperately requesting for them, I burnt them with Life Magic-[Fire], and gave it to her.

Well this sort of thing is trivial, these result are normal if you think about it.

It's not good, I mean. Why did I not experience any evolution?!...Other than the extreme pain of my body. No, I don't want this anymore!

While I was thinking in that manner, the damn gorilla continued

"I, until only awhile ago, cannot speak. Human book, I can not read or understand. But, at that time I came across the Fruit Of Evolution. And so I ate it, taking advantage of the time when I go hunting, I read human book and memorized human language."

Areee? Somehow, isn't the damn gorilla's result quite good? To the level where a language can be understood……iya, it is rather amazing, is it not?

Besides, if the level does not rise like mine, her level would have already been at 700 when she ate the Fruit Of Evolution. Instead, something like <Status> Evolution x 1 is displayed. Strong...

"No matter other, appearance, change. Strong, to become. After."

“It’s too bad, can’t you speak more fluently?”

It is frustrating to see…or rather, why is it frustrating?…I see, its because she’s a gorilla!….it’s different, isn’t it?

“Sorry. But, my mouth, speaking function, originally non-existent. I can produce a roar, words, different. Therefore, smoothly, unable to speak. In truth, long conversation, tongue tied. Even though, want talk, more.”

“I’ll pass”

It wasn’t the main topic in the first place. What am I saying.

“By the way, Fruit Of Evolution, not more than 10, to eat. Eating anymore, evolution overtake body. Therefore, death.”

“Scary!?”

…Seriously?! I would die if I eat more than ten?!That was close, I was think about eating one more if I ever came across another one…! That means, I already have the maximum evolution and can no longer eat anymore…How regrettable. I was a little relieved to have gained unexpected information. The Fruit Of Evolution is amazing eh…

“I, already have 10 pieces. Therefore, collect again, to give to the one suitable to be my husband, plan to accumulate. Once more, find Clever Monkey. But, someone, stole it.”

…A-are? Somehow I feel an unpleasant premonition…

“Therefore, search again, to give Seiichi. While at it, the snatcher, kill.”

“I’m sorryyyyyyyyyyy!”

I prostrated myself with all my might.

“I’m really sorry! I am the one who stole it! I was hungry, and I ate it!”

What pride? My pride can eat shit! Survival is justice! I did not forget the law of the jungle!

While I maintained prostrated, I timidly raised my head,

“What, Seiichi? If that’s the case, it’s fine.”

“Th,then…!”

“But, marriage. This, absolutely must.”

“Iyaaaaaaaaaaaa!”

That’s right…Isn’t that right!? She was supposed to have given it to her husband and I ate it! I’ve done it now! It’s already too late to turn back

now!

Th, this means I have to really give it my all to escape…!

Fortunately, that damn gorilla seems to be going off to search for the Fruit Of Evolution.

I have to escape from this hell during that chance!

Even if just a little bit, I felt that being unable to eat this meal makes me a little sad……I won't think too much about it.

When I was looking down and thinking about things like that, the damn gorilla showed an unexpected reaction.

"Seiichi…the things I do, you hate?"

"Eh?"

I don't return an annoyed expression as I usually do but instead, I returned an expression of uneasiness. What happened? Asking something like this so suddenly…

That appearance of the damn gorilla left me bewildered, the damn gorilla then said

"I, Seiichi, like."

"……"

How many times has she confessed?

"But, Seiichi, the things I do, hate?"

The damn gorilla looked really sad when asking so.

…This, how do I reply to her? She has asked such a high difficulty question so suddenly?!

But, seeing her ask with a sorrowful mood and in all seriousness, it would only be right of me to answer honestly, as a man should.

"…I don't hate you. Or rather, I like you."

Yes, these are my true feelings.

But do not misunderstand. To the bitter end, my "like", is "I like gorilla". It is a ridiculous thing to say that I love the gorilla.

Cleaning, laundry, cooking, sewing, and for other reasons unknown, she was wholeheartedly earnest to me. It would sound like the perfect existence if I have only heard this.

But…but she's a gorilla!

Why is she a gorilla?! If she was not a gorilla, I would have been completely okay with it! In the first place, I am not in the position where I can choose the appearance of my partner.

But to me, to be of a different race…and furthermore, a gorilla?! This is too unreasonable…! If it is a human, I would have been able to endure no matter how unattractive she is…it sounds very arrogant when I say it this way, but I do wish to marry a beautiful and sexy woman even if it is without any hope! Is it bad?…It's the nature of a sad man.

While I was being arbitrarily depressed alone, the damn gorilla who heard my answer returned to her usual state.

"Yes. Then, let's marry now immediately."

"…As expected, may I take back what I said before?"

Returning back to normal, I again used my annoyed tone. And guess what?

"Muuu…Seiichi, a shy person."

"Please die"

This is bad, she's being extremely annoying. I really want to give her a really hard blow…! However, it's sad that it's likely that the tables will be turned on me.

“Whatever. I, Fruit Of Evolution, search.”

“By all means, take care.”

I desperately endure the smile that threatened to spill out.

If I laughed here, it would certainly be suspicious.

Rather, I don’t know the reason why she has yet to have gone looking for the Fruits of Evolution.

“Incidentally, today I will bring back hunted prey.”

“Eh?”

At this time, I noticed a sense of incongruity.

It goes and hunt monsters, and it kills the monsters. In other words, it did not evolve?

“Damn gorilla. Are the meals thus far all things that you have hunted?.”

“No. Clever Monkey, hunt. I eat.”

Clever Monkeys. Aren’t you being thoroughly used…?!

“If the Fruit Of Evolution is eaten, will I evolve immediately upon defeating a demon?”

When I asked so, the damn gorilla shook it’s head side to side.

“Yes. But no. Defeated demon, if level lower than yourself, pointless.”

“Oh”

In other words, is the reason that I am able to evolve easily is because I have been hunting existences that are higher level than myself?

“Stronger demons, I met recently. In the olden days, many demons, demon king army wanted to take me along. I, have no interest in war. Therefore, hid myself.”

Will this be the place where the devil king will emerge? Furthermore, it does not seems like it is talking about that sort of 100 years ago event. Even if she said it was in the olden days, unexpectedly it might have happened recently.

“Anyway, approaching……so its alright.”

“Approaching?”

I cock my head in puzzlement unintentionally when I heard what the damn gorilla said.

However, the damn gorilla seemed to have not heard my words and did not give me a more detailed explanation.

“More importantly, I, question Seiichi, have.”

“Eh?”

“Seiichi, human. Why are you here?”

That’s right. It is strange for a human to be in this kind of place.

“Maaa…many things happened….ah!”

Having said thus, I remembered a certain thing.

“I forgot to make a elixir!”

Yes, I have been disturbed by the Acro Wolf, and taken away by the damn gorilla, various happenings have made me completely forget that originally I was gathering materials to make the [Elixir]!

When I remembered what I intended to do originally and started thinking about how to go about doing it, the damn gorilla tilted her neck to one side.

“Elixir? That sort of thing, exist?”

“Maa, it is amazing as far as human is concerned.”

I mean, it can resurrect dead people. Dangerous isn’t it.

“But, to make the Elixir requires [Heat Rock] and the vital [Resurrection Grass] mixed in, which I do not have.”

“I, have it”

“Eee, that is amazing eh….hai?”

“I, have it.”

“Seriously?!”

When I said so unintentionally in a loud voice, the damn gorilla moved to the nearby bush and started searching for something with a rustling sound, and before long, it came back with something.

“Here. This one, Heat Rock. This one, Resurrection Grass, and seed.”

“Seed?”

The damn gorilla handed me a deep crimson coloured rock, a grass with a contrasting green and white colour and a ordinary seed.

“Seed, don’t know how grow. Elixir, make, I, not effective. Therefore, give.”

“Seriously?!”

Once again being surprised by the damn gorilla says, I tried to appraise the things that were handed over.

[Heat Rock]…A mineral which creates heat using special effect. Apply a light impact and leave it alone, the maximum emitted heat is 120°c. After a set period of time, if not disposed, heat will naturally settle, has an unlimited usage. When the thing necessary to resurrect a dead person is included and mixed in water, if the Heat Rock is soaked in water, it will change into something which is good for the body.

[Resurrection Grass] Grass which is said to have the effect of resurrecting people from the afterlife. But this alone is not effective if not dissolved in water that has had a heat rock soaked in it.

[Seed of Resurrection Grass] If you bury it, Resurrection Grass will grow. However, it is necessary to mix the soil with a Heat Rock and water the seed with water which a Heat Rock soaked in.

“…”

“Da, damn…as expected it can resurrect a dead person, the effect is amazing.

Or rather, the Heat Rock has too many uses. Doesn’t it play too much of

an active role…?

But, the damn gorilla is amazing for giving these to me…then I shall accept it. I mean, she said she would give them to me.

“Th, then I will gratefully accept it”

“Un. But, marry me”

“I will return it after all”

“…It was a joke”

There was a pause?! Is it possible that it wasn’t necessarily a joke?! I, I must keep my guard up and be careful not to show an opening…

The damn gorilla turned to face the forest despite the surprised me.

“Jya, I, wanted to ask, understand. Hunt, see you later.”

“Un! Take care!”

I said that really cheerfully with a smile.

With this, I will be free…! Nonetheless, as expected, the gorilla did not consider the possibility of me running away. Fufufu, I’m going to bid this hell farewell!

I even had an unexpected harvest of the materials required to make the elixir.

“U, un. I’m off”

“Is there any reason why your face has turned red?!”

When I sent the gorilla off with a smile, the damn gorilla face turned red for some reason. I feel sick! At least…at least I want it to be a human…!

I see off the damn gorilla until it went into the bush.

Good…let’s go…let’s go…

As the damn gorilla gradually disappeared from my sight, I prepared to move immediately at the same time I couldn’t see it anymore.

For the time being, the destination will be the areas in black which the Clever Monkey and Acro Wolf’s map shows.

And then, I finally do not see the the figure of the damn gorilla.

“Escape!”

I cried out meaninglessly as I started to run promptly.

Hahahaha! It's my victory! One week…I kept on enduring!

I have tried to escape many times but the damn gorilla always kept following me wherever I went…I was beginning to give up slightly, living with the damn gorilla was just a little enjoyable…why am I beginning to think of such thing…?

At last…at last I am free!

"Hahahahaha! Wonderful! Freedom feels wonderful!"

Un, I think that I am broken if I do say so myself. Tension is chaotic.

As I am running through the forest with light steps, I suddenly felt something at my back.

"?!"

I turn to face behind in a hurry.

"Wait! Seiichi!"

"Gyaaaaaaaaaaa!It is chasing me aaaaaaaaaaaaa!"

That damn gorilla is chasing me at a terrifying speed.

It’s a lie right?! Didn’t it go out for a search?! Then why is it sprinting after me with all it’s might like something out of a horror?! Why is she running like an athlete?!

Or rather, what if it really does manage to catch me!? What happened to the search!?

As I think things like that, the damn gorilla shouts

“No! That direction is…!”

“I don’t understand what you mean, but I can be free at last! Mou, I will not let go of this freedommmmmmm!

Mou, I have already come this far! It is already close behind…

In the first place, if I have to return, I would have to come up with a excuse for running away.

I decide to continuously invoke [Moment] to put some distance between me and the damn gorilla even if by a little.

“[Moment]![Moment]![Moment]![Moment]!”

“_____！”

The distance between me and the damn gorilla widened in the blink of

an eye. As one would expect from a skill.

This way, by extensive usage of my skill, I pull away from the damn gorilla and a cave entrance appeared before my eyes before long.

“What?”

I tilt my head to the side puzzled as I gradually approached the cave.

Was there a cave in such a place?

Mou I had already come to the black-painted place on the map which was in-putted in my head.

“…Somehow, the atmosphere is strange and intimidating…”

Without stopping my feet, I approach the cave which is emitting a strange atmosphere which I am able to perceive sensitively for some reason.

“…maa, other than this cave there seems to be no other place to hide…”

Hiding in a cave seems like it will be easy for me to be tracked, but for some reason, there are no trees growing in the vicinity of the cave.

From the start, there was no other choice than to hide in the cave.

"…Let's go?"

It has been decided that I shall go into the cave. Because I have no other choice, and it is surely purely my anxiety that makes me think that the cave has something. Moreover, it might become harder for me to be found if I enter the cave.

I enter the cave without slowing down.

When I was back on Earth, it would have been impossible for me to be running at such a speed for such a long period of time. But, since coming to this world and thanks to the influence of Evolution, I am not getting tired at all. Hmm…does all parallel universe people have this much physical strength/stamina? If you told me that all the other people that came from another world have this much physical strength I would believe it.

I entered the cave and continued running.

"…What to do. There are no winding roads at all."

The road only continued in a straight line.

Moreover, as I continued advancing into the depths, luxurious ornaments embedded sporadically in the wall for some reasons are getting illuminated by the flickering flame of the torches mounted on the wall.

……

“Eh, what? What on earth is this!?”

I suddenly felt anxious!? Do, does anyone live here!?

But, I will surely be caught by the damn gorilla if I were to return now…..What to do……

Th, there seems to be no choice but to go further in…

I steady myself and run through the straight road which leads deeper inside the cave.

And————

“This is…”

Before my eyes is a gorgeously ornamented construct made of black iron…there seems to be a door.

Since the time I started running intently, I haven’t met any demons and thus I arrived at this place

A crimson jewel is embedded in the middle of the door and an ominous atmosphere is leaking out of it.

“The, the hell?”

I back off subconsciously from the atmosphere given off by the door.

"..."

What is this...rather, after coming this far...I can only enter, right?

After making up my mind, I open the door which is giving off the ominous atmosphere.

"..."

When I set my foot in the room, the torch mounted on the surroundings came to life at once and lit up the dark room.

"..."

Nonetheless, the room remains dim and gloomy, furthermore there is a sticky ominous atmosphere which coils around the body making it uncomfortable and it is not easing.

My gaze wanders around restlessly.

"————This is a first. A human visiting my room..."

"!?"

I reacted violently to the voice which I heard suddenly and fixed my gaze over to the source of the voice.

“Wha————”

There was a skeleton dressed in a jet black robe which is akin to a black mourning dress, bringing about a contradiction to the gorgeous robe and the skeleton.

“To have been able to reach my room…are you a strong person?”

“No, kefir desu” (TL: Kefir is a beaverage https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kefir)

“……”

The silence is painful…!

It can’t be helped!? I am confused! What is it!? This skeleton! Why can it talk!? Aren’t there no vocal cords in a skeleton!?

Although I was surprised, I secretly used appraisal on the skeleton before me.

[Darkness noble Zeanos Lv:1]

“Eh?”

I let out such a sound unintentionally when I saw the displayed level.

Level…1? The same as me…?

Perhaps in the eyes of the skeleton I am showing a considerably stupefied look on my face…Zeanos is giving out a atmosphere of being satisfied for some reason.

“I see… you are able to see through my strength?” (EDN: The “you” used in this sentence is derogatory, something similar to “bastard”. I would use it, but it would make the sentence sound quite strange.)

“Wha-?”

I got found out!? Why!?

Zeanous continued his words indifferent to my surprised.

“It is sheer stupidity to discern my strength. My strength is not something visible. Besides I can deceive you. (EDN: Same “you”.)

“De, deceive….?”

It was at the moment when I was able to squeeze out the word.

“_____”

The atmosphere emitting from Zeanous changed suddenly.

In the beginning, there was a lot of things I didn't understand about this eerie presence, even though he is strong, he wore an atmosphere where he didn't seem to be strong. But now, before my very eyes, that atmosphere was removed and his atmosphere changed completely.

————Strong. Absurdly……strong!

The damn gorilla which is the Kaizer Kong is completely overshadowed……

Reading the strength of my opponent should have been impossible for me before but for some reasons now, what is called the sixth sense or instinct, is blaring in alarm.

Dangerous……this fellow is too dangerous……!

I, for some reason, appraised Zeanos again.

[Darkness noble Zeanos Lv:1500]

"…"

Somehow, the number is now different from the single digit before? Eh, 1500? Could it be that it has surpassed 1000? 500?

……

“Haiiiiiiiii?”

I couldn’t help but raise my voice.

In contrast to me, who exclaimed loudly, Zeanos declared coldly

“…Boring. The first human to visit my room isn’t as much as I thought.”

At that instant, Zeanos merged into space and vanished.

“!?”

Wh, where did he go!?

I invoked the [Search] skill and got completely no reaction somehow.

The events that suddenly happened before me made me widen my eyes in surprise and I got impatient, then the space distorted again and Zeanos appeared in front of my eyes.

“Eh————”

It suddenly appeared in Zeanos right hand, where did he pull it out

from? With a single glance, I can tell from the atmosphere it is emitting, that it is dangerous, the jet black slender sword that he held in his right hand that is.

“————seems to have been a small fry”

With such a sentence, Zeanos thrusts out the slender sword held in his right hand towards my left chest.

「————」

————However, the slender sword did not pierce the left side of my chest.

“Are you okay? Seiichi”

The sword which should have gone through my heart went through something else… Saria.

Instead of my left chest…Saria’s heart was penetrated and she attacked Zeanos with her thick arms.

“Mu…”

At such an attack, Zeanos pulled out his slender sword from the left chest of Saria and dodged directly.

Crimson blood spilled out from the Saria's chest when the sword was pulled out.

…Why…why…why…

"I made it in time…thank goodness…"

Saria said so in a gentle tone, to the me who stood rooted to the ground in surprise,

And then, Saria fell to the ground.

————————————!!!!

"Sariaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!"

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「Sariaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!」

I hurriedly ran toward Saria’s location.

Then, I carefully held Saria and I tried to wake her up.

「Saria…Saria…!」

I called out to Saria many times, but her eyes aren’t opening.

「why…why did you save me…!」

The welling up of emotions that I desperately endured leaked out.

Thereupon, Saria finally opened up her eyes and weakly laughed.

「Finally…you called me by my name」

「Saria! This recovery medicine…!」

While saying so, I tried to take out the highest class recovery medicine, but Saria quietly placed her hand on my hand to stop me.

「I’m alive in this situation because of my skill. Recovery medicine is for the living. So it won’t work」

「eh…」

「I died by the attack from a while ago. That is what I meant by being alive because of my skill」

With a mixture of surprise and despair in my eyes, Saria continued on.

「My species,『Kaiser Kong』peculiar skill…【Emperor’s Dignity】. The reason how I’m talking is due to this.

「【Emperor’s Dignity】…」

「Yes. The effect lasts for 1 hour, even in the state of dying, I can move. But, its not long」

「!?」

So then…Saria is…

I despaired at once, but remembered immediately about the『Elixir』that can revive the dead.

「O, oh yeah! If its the『Elixir』, I can possibly save you!? Just wait! I’ll

make it right now――――――」

「That's also, useless.『Elixir』won't have any effect on monsters」

「――――――」

I listened to Saria's words and recalled the effect of the『Elixir』.

Dead Clever monkeys can't be revived, high class recovery potion's don't work on them either, it's a wasted effort so they don't even gather ingredients for them.

The elixir has absolutely no effect on monsters. The information was there…

The moment I realized that, the a wave of emotions knocked me about, and I unconsciously shouted at Saria with all my heart.

.「If so…then why did you save a person like me! Why did you die to save me!? I certainly did say that I like you! Even if we are of an opposite sex, didn’t I say that I don’t see you as the same race!? I treated you harshly!? I treated you cruelly in various ways and didn’t I run away from you!? You got caught in this outcome, and this happened to you…! 」

While saying so myself, gradually my tears started flowing.

No matter how much I looked back on days spent living with Saria, there was never a time when I treated her nicely.

I…I…

The hand on Saria's shoulder is being filled with power.

Then, Saria gently wrapped both of her hands around my other hand that was not holding her.

「I love Seichi. Do I need any other reason? 」

「————」

Saria says she loves me…even for a person like me. Why would she?

「Even though you complain a lot, you still eat all the food I make for you.」

「That…that's because it's a waste not to eat it…!」

「Also, even though you feel that I disturb you, you don't mind. You don't worry and you forgive me. You don't ignore me. You treat me normally. Also, it's relaxing, being together. I feel calm」

「……」

「Even with the clever monkeys, I was being rowdy and complaining into the night, But you treated me as a person. That's why, Seiichi, I love you.」

I'm starting to become miserable due to Saria's words.

Saria a shitty gorilla? Definitely not. I'm the shitty one.

I…treated her badly until now.

As if the dam collapsed, it is not possible for me to me to stop the overflow of tears.

Saria slightly laughed as my face was in a mess by tears.

「I, really love Seiichi's smile. The Seiichi now, is not like Seiichi. And, I'm already like this…so I want to see the smile of someone I love for the last time. Hey? Smile? 」

To the bitter end, Saria is…

Through Saria's brave, single-minded thoughts, my sunken dark emotion lit up with fire…no, I felt the flames rise up.

Am I going to further become a scum? …Its impossible.

I nearly lost sight of one of the virtues that my parents taught me.

That is,『Look forward wherever you are. Don't lose heart. 』。

I desperately wipe my tears using my sleeve.

And, while there were still tears left, I somehow gave a smile.

「That's right…I'm the noisy one!」

「Un!」

When I put on a smile, Saria seemed satisfied and nodded.

While this exchange was happening between Saria and me, darklord Zeanosu who had been silent until now, began to talk.

『…A ≪Love≫ between a gorilla and a human huh…』

「！」

By those words, I once again became aware of the existence of Zeanosu that I've forgotten until now.

"It's truly foolish…human love becoming an unsightly distorted thing…. You're going to nurture a love with a gorilla even though you are human."

bracket(?) change when Zeanosu speak?『Zeanosu』,「Others」)

“What’s wrong about a gorilla!”

I carried Saria in the form of a princess carry, took her directly to a corner of the room, and laid her there gently.

“Zeanosu was it…? Why weren’t you attacking so far?”

When I confronted Zeanosu, I was the first to speak.

“Well, it’s a simple thing. I found interest in the ≪Love≫ that exists between you and the gorilla… Well, it was as if I was watching a cheesy comedy though. You have no affection for the gorilla, so it was a one-way love that the gorilla has… If this isn’t comedy, then what is it? It spoils the fun really. Let’s end this.”

“Is that so?”

I quietly prepared the Ken Monkey Rod and the Water Spirit Ball Dagger.

And then————

“But…sorry for you, it’s not going to end just yet.”

『！』

I moved at high speed as I activated the skill『Moment』, and then jumped to strike towards Zeanosu' rear.

However, Zeanosu avoided the attack by lightly twisting his body.

"Surprise attacks are unfair..."

"It's unfair? That's fine with me, idiot! 」

...Wait a second? But Zeanosu also surprise attacked me...

If I worry about it, I'll lose!

I will once again use the skill『Moment』on Zeanosu, and approach him.

"Annoying!"

As Zeanosu shouted so, I aimed with the narrow sword and pierced with all my might.

Instantly, the Monkey Ken Rod that I held was stopped, and in that moment, the Monkey Ken Rod shattered. My Monkey Ken Rod...I liked it! Heck, how did you even hit me while I was attacking using Moment!?

"Why, do you oppose me? Don't you realize the difference in our ability?"

“Hahahahaha! You wouldn’t even understand!”

『……』

What’s this? It’s strange… It feels like I’m imitating Zeanosu, but…is that how it looks?…it pains me.

I seem to have taken some mental damage, while Zeanosu appears to have come to an understanding on his own.

“I see…there seems to have been a misunderstanding. You really love that gorilla don’t you? I thought it was just a cheap comedy that I could not bear to watch…If you also love that gorilla, this must be a genuine comedy!”

When saying so, Zeanosu started a loud laughter alone.

I wanted atonement for Saria.

And I wanted to convey the feelings that just arose to Saria.

Therefore, I decided to defeat the Zeanosu in front of me before Saria’s skill effect ends, and convey my thoughts.

That is —-

“That’s right! I… Love Saria! Do you have any problem with that!?”

『!?』

I once again use Moment to rapidly approach, and wielded the Water Spirit Ball Dagger

Wasn’t my attack predictable this time? He didn’t avoid it, and managed to block it at the last second with a small sword.

“Argh ……”

Zeanosu blocked my attack and just like that, parried my dagger and

put some distance between us.

Zeanosu took a stance without any openings that an amatuer could see, and I spoke to him.

“I’m an idiot and a f**king sh*t! My partner’s a gorilla? I did not accept Saria because of my bad way of thinking? Because of that Saria…. Crying is for later! Being sad is also for later! Giving my all to defeat you, I’m going to show Saria, who is the first to say that she loves me, a very cool side of me! It’s only that for now! I’ll go all out!

Somehow it made me…… desesperate~tsu! I cast everything aside for this!

Right now…… right now, the loud me that said he loves Saria…… for her sake lets throw away the negative thinking ~tsu!

As i shouted with determination, Saria muttered in a small voice as she lay to the side.

“Seiichi……”

Her voice sounded faint, but I feel like there was a joyful feeling.

Zeanosu had received my shout, and it seemed he was taken aback for a bit, but soon a loud laugh started.

“Hahahahaha~tsu! Your love for that gorilla…… it seems its true!”

“Thats what I’ve been telling you! Its embarrasing so don’t make me say

it!'

When I said so embarrassed, Zeanosu drew back for some reason. Oi, I'm going to cry here.

"Well it's fine……. Either way, to you who truly love that gorilla, I will tell you something good"

"?"

Something good? Like something about my charm?…… In a situation like this, shouldn't it be a different reaction?

"If you defeat me…… there is a chance that gorilla can survive"

"!?"

I opened my eyes a lot from Zeanosu words.

"Is, is that true!?'

I shout without realizing, Zeanosu laughs fearlessly.

"Fufufu……. I do not tell boring lies. If you are strong enough to defeat me, that gorilla will [evolve] again. You and that gorilla already ate the [shinka no mi]……. Well, defeating me is probably impossible."

“You……did you appraise us?”

“Fu~tsu…… well, thats it. So, what will you do?”

Is it possible, once again the “shinka no mi” will save me.

Then, Saria will recieve the effect of the evolution as well.

…… I appreciate it.

“There is no need to ask…… I will defeat you with my all~tsu!”

When i shout so, Zeanosu eyes without pupils shined, and he disappeared as if blending with the environment surprising me.

“Then……”

“!”

“I will respond……!”

Again in front of me Zeanosu appeared, and tried to pierce my heart with his sword.

But, I won’t make the same pathetic mistake again.

I forcefully bent my body, and stopped the sword with the water spirit dagger I held in my right hand.

“Ho ~u?”

“Rra ā ā ā a~tsu!”

Then, in that way I twist the water spirit dagger, and counterattacked.

“To dogde my attack…… something that could not be predicted happened, I won’t get bored”

“I have a lot of things that I am not happy about~tsu!”

With that ironic mouth, I activated skills in a chain, starting my attack.

“Cutting leg”,“Strong nails”,“moment”, “Cutting leg”,“Strong nails”,“moment”————.

But, Zeanosu dodged all the attacks easily.

Skills are not good…… then what about magic!

I immediatly used water attribute magic, the one I used on Saria that time, but I increased the output.

“Ocean Impact~tsu!”

When I shout I pointed my right arm towards Zeanosu, and shoot out a small lump of water that has been compressed to the limit at high speed.

“Hō? The strongest magic from the water attribute…… interesting! I’m someone who has studied darkness magic, and the sword thoroughly during my lifetime!”

Zeanosu is looking at my attack with a happy smile, then the “Ocean Impact” I released was caught with his right arm.

“[Magic Hall]!”

Gyururun~tsu!

While making an eerie rotation sound, suddenly a jet-black small mass

emerged from the right palm of Zeanosu.

That mass, for some reason started spinning around, and gives off a terrible overwhelming feeling.

Then, my feeling was spot on, the “Ocean Impact” that was attacking Zeanosu was easily absorbed by the black mass, and eventually that mass dissapeared.

“I didnt think you could use the strongest magic from the water attribute, but if it’s not original magic then it will not work on me!”

What the hell!? Are you cheating!? Can you turn on easy mode!? Is this a Bug! That’s cheating, isn’t it!?

“Shit ~tsu!”

To such an abnormal strengh, I involuntarily cursed.

“Your love for the gorilla is only to that extent?”

Then Zeanosu, as if saying it was his turn now, came at me.

“U o~tsu!”

When I was about to receive the attack, I evade it but the sword of Zeanosu scratched me a little.

“Ku~tsu!”

“Hō…… to evade this attack, even before I transformed into a demon there were only a few people capable of it.”

“Before becoming a demon!? You were human!?”

To the sudden news i tsukkomed without realizing. Well, in front of my eyes he’s definately a skeleton!

…… Ah, the corpses of humans become skeletons.

Heck Zeanosu’s appareance isn’t important, the fact that not even one of my attacks is hitting is the problem.

Saria’s skill wont last long.

While the effect of the skill continues, I must defeat him…….

First of all, i feel like i didn’t master the skills i got from the Clever monkey and the Aqua Wolf.

Acording to the knowledge that I got from god, Skills are something born from oneself, an existence that steals skills like me doesn’t exist.

That’s why, I who didn’t have his own skills, can’t master them.

…… In the end it’s the power of others…….

Without realizing it, such thoughts cross my mind, but I immediately discard them.

If the skills i got are from others, then I just have to make them my own.

Then, if I can make them my own ————

“I will evolve even more……!”

Again, with all my strength, I approached Zeanosu.

However, approaching with a normal skill like “Moment” is useless.

Until now I was using it blindly, and he’s avoided it.

But, this time I thought I will give it a little different use.

While making a bet in my head, I gradually approach Zeanosu.

…… It’s at this late hour, but I wonder if I’ve really evolved. Now even if I run with my all I don’t get tired, and even if the speed is not from the skill “moment”, I am still moving with a terrible speed.

If I think about it, it's strange that a level 1 can stand up to a level 1500? …… Isn't it? …… or maybe it's normal?…….

Well anyway, there is no doubt that I evolved. I mean, at the beginning all my stats were 1.

While thinking such a think and approaching, Zeanosu spoke with a bored voice.

"Have you lost your mind, Human? Did you think that you could match my speed without using skills?"

Zeanosu was, without even making a sign of dodging, standing there, without worrying about my approach.

————But, That's what I wanted.

Just a bit more…… Just a bit more …… Just a bit more ……!

Then, my desired moment arrived.

"Its a pity, Human. Your ≪love≫ was just that."

Zeanosu speed is at a level when even I who repeatly evolved is barely able to keep up, and the thin sword is pointed to my heart.

To me who is currently rushing at full speed towards him, I don't have

the ability to dodge.

Thats why, I activated the skill “Moment” to my back.

“Wha~tsu!?”

I suddenly took a back step in a speed Zeanosu couldn’t percive, Zeanosu’s sword cut air.

Then, against the defenceless Zeanosu, this time i activated the skill “Moment” again forward.

“U ōo ōo ōo ōo o~tsu!”

This “Moment” too, I used it in a different way than before.

Thats it, a “Moment” used to attack, instead of moving to an attack position————!

I use Moment, and the dagger of water spirit ball rushed directly at Zeanosu.

Whatsmore, in this time of evolution, I heard a voice in my head about a new skill being aquired.

“Secret art ≪ hayate ≫ has been learned”

Secret art!?What the hell is that!?

I was surprised at the words i had never heard before, but immediatly switched my thinking progress.

Right now ————-In front of my face is Zeanosu~tsu!

I put my body and soul in this, the strongest attack that the me right now can make.

That attack, missing Zeanosu's sword, with a speed that Zeanosu cannot follow, attacked his heart.

Then ————

"————"

"————"

———— the dagger of water spirit ball is, piercing into Zeanosu's heart.

"....."

"....."

Silence dominates the surroundings.

My dagger of water spirits ball is deeply pierced into the heart of Zeanosu.

Even though he's a skeleton, mysteriously the sensation that I feel is not different from cutting meat.

But, I can't pull it out yet. Until the enemy is definetly dead————.

A time when nothing can be said flowed between me and Zeanosu.

Kararan

A dry sound echoed in the room.

It was the sound of the jet-black sword that fell to the ground from Zeanosu's hands.

"…… Fufufufufu…… ahahahahahahahaha!"

Next, Zeanosu in a state where he has been pierced in the heart by me, started a loud laughter.

"I…… I was defeated!"

"!"

From Zeanosu's words, I understood.

Then, Zeanosu's body started producing particles of light ————.

That is, the same effect that happens when I defeat a demon.

I ———— Won.

I had a renewed understanding, and the feeling of success, as Zeanosu muttered in self ridicule.

"My mistake was..... being overconfident in my power eh?....."

But, Zeanosu immediately shook his skeleton head, and spoke in gentle voice that seemed unbelievableable since our first encounter.

"No ———— I lost to your and the gorilla-dono's ≪Love ≫"

"....."

etto..... what reactions should i have?

Suddenly saying gorilla-dono ..... eh, who are you?

As i am thinking about it, Zeanosu continued on with his kind voice.

“When I was human, I had a hate for humans until I died. My feelings became a distorted ugly love……”

“……”

“But, in this way in the end I could see the true ≪Love≫ between you and gorilla-dono”

To the still stunned me, Zeanosu let a final conclusion.

“You, to show me the true ≪Love≫ in the end ———— I thank you”

Looking at Zeanosu with his skeleton face, for some reason I feel a radiance from it.

“Marie…… I now, will go to your side ————”

Zeanosu says so, and vanished from the spot becoming light particles.

Then a lot of drop ítems fell to the ground, in the end at the side of the fallen jet black sword a pure white sword also fell to the ground.

What to say I seriously don’t know, Zeanosu went with a somehow happy face. I will confirm it with the [Zeanosu life] included in the drop items later.

When I confirmed that Zeanosu disappeared in particles of light, I

rushed immediately with full force to Saria.

“Saria~tsu!”

I rushed fast, but when i saw Saria’s appareance, I lost my words.

“Sa, Saria. You’re body……”

So, Saria’s body, just like Zeanosu that disappeared now, was becoming particles of light.

I was stunned, Saria who has lost her energy lay there, and weakly says.

“Seiichi…… Thank you……”

“Sa, Saria……?”

“Seiichi, you were…… so cool.”

“It’s a lie right? Hey……”

Finally…… I finally defeated Zeanosu…….

Saria’s body, which should be recovering is instead becoming more and more particles of light.

“I dont want this…… I dont want this ……!”

To me who is shouting and shaking my head, Saria made a weak smile.

“Dont make that…… face. You will ruin, that cool face …… see?’

“……”

Again, my tears overflow.

I didn’t make it…….

I could only fall to despair at that sad truth.

Then, she gently put her hand on my cheek.

“I, am glad……..for meeting Seiichi”

“……”

“For being together with Seiichi, I am glad”

“……”

“Seiichi, to care for you ———— I am glad”

To the smiling Saria, I have no words to respond.

This…… I don’t want to accept it. No…… absolutely no…….

But, destiny is cruel. Too cruel.

Even now, when Saria’s body is becoming more and more particles of light…….

To myself, who cant think of anything, Saria told her last request.

“You know? Seiichi……”

“……”

“I…… wanted to become, Seiichi’s wife……”

“!!!!”

While saying so…… a tear falls from Saria’s eyes for the first time.

———— Seriously, destiny and reality are unreasonable to us.

No matter how much we struggle, it doesn’t feel that the situation will get better…….

Besides, in this world God said he will not interfere.

Then, there is no such a thing as a miracle.

In this miracleless, cruel reality, I am waiting for fate.

But you know? When humans are cornered, there is no choice but to pray, right?

——————————— for a miracle.

"……"

The only thing i can do now.

That's it, nothing more than pray.

…… Only praying for a miracle.

But, I think only praying is not enough.

A miracle will not happen. To begin with, to not happen is normal.

If such a miracle happened, I wanted to realize Saria's wish. If I doubt for even a second that a miracle will happen, that will become my life regret…….

Saria’s wish, to become my wife.

Even though there is no one that would want to marry a guy like me.

Futhermore, when Saria is in this state there’s not much I can do.

Without adding burden to Saria, and thinking about her wish.

Thinking that, I to Saria ————

“!”

“————————”

———————— Kissed her.

Its not a kiss between a man and a woman that are going out.

Only, kindly overlaping my lips with hers, only that.

Tenderly, lovingly…….

Overlaping our lips.

It feels like the kiss lasts for eternity, and I gently release her lips.

Then, slowly i left Saria on the ground.

Futhermore, Saria was in an emotional state, with tears overflowing, showing a smile.

“Thank you……!”

Then, as Saria said that.

Suddenly, Saria’s body started emiting an incredibly strong light.

This is, when I defeat a demon, the effect that happens when the demon disappears, it’s a completely different effect.

Eh, wait~tsu…… what is happening!?

Heck, more important than that ————

“Eyes……-my eyeeeeeeees~tsu!”

I wasn't prepared, so that intense light shone directly into my eyes!? Right now I can understand a certain captain's feelings ……! (TL: Anyone know the reference? It's the captains name: 今ならム〇カ大佐の気持ちが分かる)

I was holding my eyes and rolling around the ground, but eventually my vision recover and I opened my eyes.

When I opened my eyes, the light had already subsided.

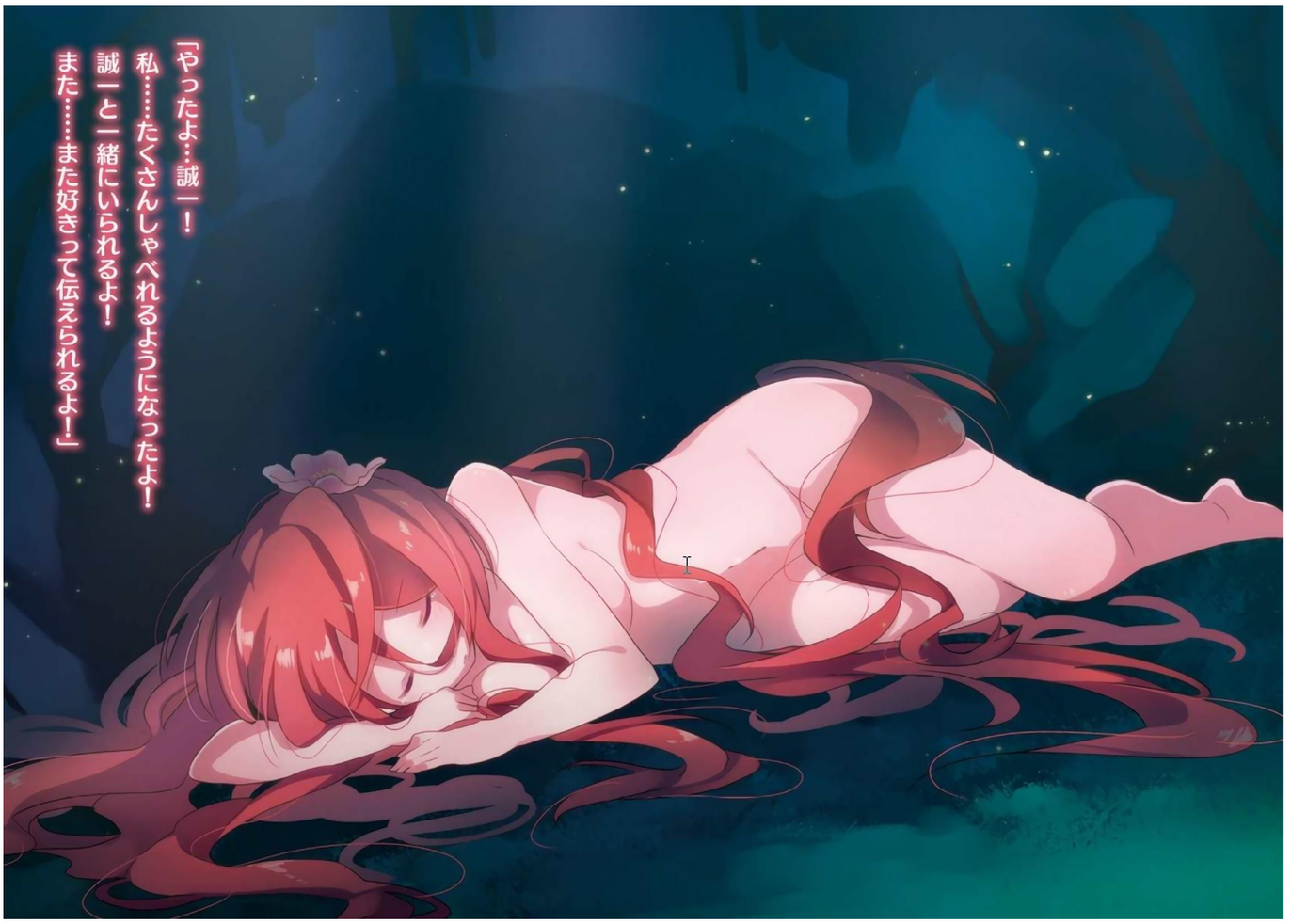
"J,Just what happened……"

I say so without realizing, and I look to where Saria was.

"……"

I was speechless.

"……"



For some reason, in the place Saria was previosuly, a naked girl is sleeping there.

..... What?

Eh, who? wait, why is she naked? Wait, saria is? Eh? Wa?

My head was in panic. I was confused, it might be a confusion state. W, what? Its weird..... I have [Confusion resistance] in my skills though~.....

"—— its not!?"

Seriously who!? Wait where did Saria dissapear!?

More importantly, why nude!!?..... Also, what kind of power is it that hides the important parts with hair and shadow so I can't see anything at all....!

Just what the heck!?

Right now my head is not catching up with the sudden development of the events, I feel like my eyes are spinning around, suddenly the girl in front of my eyes opened her eyes, and slowly raised her body.

"....."

"U,um....."

I dont know who she is but, if I suddenly get treated as a molester it wont be funny.....!

I look at the eyes of the girl with my vigilance at MAX.

Extending to her waist, crimson hair reminiscent of sparkling flame, long eyelashes above crimson eyes like rubys. Below the pretty nose, wet lips of cherry colour. Small face, a terrifyingly beautiful face, that I didn't see anything like on earth, a bishōjo that surpass 2D bishōjo.

Briefly speaking, super bishōjo. Frankly, dangerous.

Even in the school I went to, she's top-class.

Her figure…… Un. Tremendous in a lot of ways. Even so, that a lot of parts are hidden by the hair…… I think it's a shame……. Un.

I, I am not a hentai! It couldn't be helped right!?…… What are you doing alone. Don't be confused be the sudden turn of events, I…….

However, I got the feeling we are of similar age …….

She got up without permission, and is calmy observing the situation, then the girls eyes captured mine.

"!"

"Um……"

Anyways, I should say something to the girl before my eyes.

"————Chi"

"Eh?"

I think I heard a low voice, so low that I didn't hear it, so I asked involuntary ————

"———— ichi.—— I ichi…… Seiichi ī ī ī ī!"

“Gufu *oa*tsu!?”

Suddenly the girl hugged me..... She’s hugging me!? Wh, why!?

I am surprised and confused..... somehow there are a lot of things and my head is a mess, the girl with upturned eyes says with a lovely voice.

“I did it ..... I did it, Seiichi! I..... I ..... I became a me that can speak a lot! I can stay with Seiichi! Again..... I can tell you I love you again!”

“Wai~tsu..... hā!?”

What!? “I did it” what!? Whats wrong with this girl!?

In my confused head I desesperatly tried to think about that, realizing my feelings, the girl in front of me eyes asks with a hint of sadness in her face.

“Seiichi..... you can’t..... understand me?”

“Well, even if you say understand.....”

It happened when I gave such an answer.

..... something..... I’m missing something.

That was, something very important..... the gears started moving.

Something like that feeling.

When you realize you lack something, it's the time you think about it.

The girl hugging me, with upturned teary eyes, a bit of worry, and with a voice as if she was determined about something says.

"I…… I like Seiichi! I love you! That's why…… please make me your wife!"

"_____"

With that, the gear that I lacked is now complete; I realized what I was forgetting.

No, I understood completly.

This is————

"Saria……is it?"

With a great deal of effort, I squeezed out the words.

Then, the girl in front of my eyes ———— Saria with upturned eyes, makes a smile from ear to ear.

"Yes!"

I was, for a while lost for words.

In this world where there is no god, a miracle happened.

That was, the thing that has been saving me since I came to this world, the said miracle occurred because of the seed know as [shinka no mi] that exists in this word..... this is the benefit.

This seed, has saved me again.

This severe forest, the thing that it gave me is, this miracle.

I will never forget this debt. No matter what happens, absolutly.....

Now that I have once again reaffirmed it, now that I understood the new form of Saria in front of my eyes.

On top of that, I shouted. There was nothing to do but shout.

“Waāāā

underestimate the libido of a high school boy who spent long years of solitude!..... its nothing.

Wait a moment. Consider my situation calmly now.

I am being hugged by Saria, right?

And, something soft is getting transmitted to my body.

..... Well, isn't that it? Even if I don't say it you understand it right? Kefiadesu ne. (TL note: Lol i forgot about that XD)

..... I, to reach nirvana will be impossible. From a bit ago a sweet smell is reaching me.....

.....。

This, is difficult in various ways. Well, truly. It is more difficult than my fight with Zeanosu. Seriously.

For now, I will represent my feelings in a single word.

.....

My reason is big bang.....!

.....。

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In the end, I was able to hold onto my reasoning. Barely.

Iya…… Seriously it was a big bang. But you know? Its not because of her age, in the first place I have never heard of a demon that transforms into a woman, I can't attack Saria that suddenly became a bishōjo, it's impossible. The sadness of the virgins…. You can call it a Hetare. (TL: Japanese losers)

But, I thought again and I want to take care of Saria. That's why, I think its no good to be caught up in the moment……. Its not like I accepted the invitation that was given again and again when she was a Gorilla, I wonder what should I think about myself as a person if I accept the invitation now that she has became a bishōjo. Iya, its terribly attractive but……

For the time being, I gather my thoughts because Saria who became a bishōjo is suddenly embracing me, as expected her nudity is becoming a bad problem, so from the Item Box I took out a shirt and pass it to Saria. That is to say, currently Saria is in a——— nude T-shirt.

I,I am not a hentai!(pervert) I,its just a coincidence that I had these clothes, Its not like I wanted to see the rare image of Saria in a nude T-shirt! ……. The destructive power…..! But, if I think carefully me having female clothes is in its own way an out. Why did it become this type of conversation?

But…… I have to do something about the clothes Saria is wearing…… there is no underwear and no pants either…….

As I worry about this problem, Saria is sniffing the T-Shirt with her lovely nose.

"Su⁻…… ha~a! it's Seiichi smell"

"Eh, it stinks?"

"Un! Nothing! It has a very good smell, its so relaxing, it fells like Seiichi

is hugging me?"

"……."

…….. Oh! This is so embarrassing. Saria saying that with a big smile is so cute……

What's more…… the smell is it?…… This is the first time someone told me this since I was born. Since when has my body odor changed? I smell my own body as a test to see if something has changed, I sure don't understand it. Well, I don't think it changed.

…… The title [Smell prayer] that I had, seems to have been lost. I'm a bit upset about it.

After I did such a stupid thing, I speak to Saria.

"By the way…. Saria made quite the amazing evolution."

"Eh, you think so?"

"Iya, haven't you become a complete human in appearance? You have changed race completely, haven't you?"

I say so with a wry smile while Saria has a blank look.

"Eh? Did something change?"

"Wha? Iya…… The outside appearance has completely changed. The inside didn't change in the least…."

"No, my appearance hasn't changed."

……Huh? Has Saria-san evolved into a birdbrain? The appearance has undergone a massive change, to not notice it……..

As I have an unbelieving face, Saria puffs her cheeks up lightly.

"Ah. Its True!"

"Iya, But……"

As I was saying so.

"Then I will show you!"

Saria says so, and again a violent light covered Saria's body.

Then, I was in front of it looking at it…

"Ey.. es……-my ey e e e e e es!"

Again! Ahh! My eyes…… will be destroyed! Will I become blind!? In such a close distance looking at such an intense light so many times!! I hold both my eyes with my hands, and roll around the ground, until the pain in my eyes gradually disappears.

"U~u…… to sparkle so much ……"

With my head dizzy, I wait until my sight slowly recovers, and return my sight to Saria.

"……."

"See? I told you so?"

I, I'm speechless.

Saria, is a gorilla.

……

What happened!?

When my vision returned, without realizing it Saria reverted back to that gorilla version again.

"E e e e e! ? You can revert to Gorilla!?"

"Yes. I can even do partial transformations."

Amazin ~iing useless power!

I was making tsukkomis at Saria when a situation I can't put words to happened.

That is ————

"Who asked for a gorilla nude shiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiirt!"

Unlike Bishōjo version Saria, gorilla version Saria has the thick chest

which is bursting out of the shirt. When she was a Bishōjo, there was a different meaning from bursting out……. This…… I don't want this~! Someone…… Someone tell me if there is a demand for a gorilla nude t-shirt……! To me who was screaming in my head Saria told me with blushing cheeks.

"If you look at me so intensely…… it's embarrassing but, I'm happy"

"Why is your sense of shame higher in gorilla form aaaaaaaaaahhh!!!"

When in Bishōjo mode Saria wasn't particularly ashamed of showing me her own naked body, in contrast now in gorilla mode she is desperately trying to hide her important woman parts so they can't be seen.

Isnt it weird!?

When she is a gorilla normally she is in the nude right? Why is she all embarrassed now? I don't understand the meaning! (TL note: Its love man love…)

I was hanging my head down into my hands, and suddenly, the ground was dyed in white and the violent light appeared again, when it stopped I lifted up my sight to Saria to confirm again if she returned.

"See, I told you"

There was, that bishōjo appearance of Saria with a dazzling smile looking at me

"……"

To being able to become a Bishōjo, I think that I am truly glad. This, is not my imagination I thought. It's just, can you just stop transforming in a nude t-shirt? Its difficult for various reasons….. Mainly psychologically.

Recognizing yet again this case, I asked Saria.

"Heck….. it's fine if you can transform, but is there a meaning?"

I tilted my head, and Saria answers a bit troubled.

“I, in this form it seems I became weak. Thats why, returning to the previous form I can pull out my true combat power”

I see. The current Saria is apparently weaker than the Gorilla Version Saria. In short, bishōjo Saria = no combat mode, gorilla Saria = combat mode …… and that’s it.

Un. It seems there is a need for Gorilla Saria……. I don’t know if there is a need for the appearance though.

With the new characteristics which can be said to be the constitution of Saria understood, its time to retrieve the drop items that appeared from the defeated Zeanosu.

“Oh…… what a huge amount of drop items.”

In front of my eyes, there is a huge amount of drop items on the ground.

“Zeanosu’s drop items are……”

…… I don’t know what type of cheat item will appear. It’s good to get many but, being able to handle them is another story……. For the time being, I pick up the dropped skills cards.

[Skill card «disguise»]…… It is possible to learn the skill “disguise”.

[Skill card «assimilation»]…… It is possible to learn the skill “assimilation”.

[Skill card «clairvoyant»]…… You can learn the skill “clairvoyance”.

[Magic card: Darkness Magic attribute series]…… It is possible to learn the magic of darkness attribute.

[Style card: Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship] …… It is possible to use Zefodo flow pattern swordsmanship. (TL note: Style refers to a school of swords. Think in the Sword god style from mushoku tensei or three sword style from zoro. In my opinion this already surpassed the level of cheat and is a bug. Holy shit swordmanship that cost a whole life of training in a single card)

[Secret Technique card «Flash»] …… It is possible to learn the secret

technique “Flash”.

[Secret Technique card «Mist»] …… You can learn the secret technique ” Fog”.

“O, oh……”

I pick up the skill cards in my hands to confirm them but, I don’t know what reaction I should have.

In the end, what’s a Style card? I can somehow understand the Secret Technique Card because I already knew a secret technique……. But, as expected the rare Darkness attribute magic was there, a Magic card, just like last time.

Now that I think about it, Saria and I have the appraisal skill, probably because I already have expert appraisal, the card did not come out. What’s more, unexpectedly I feel there are no skills that are for attack ……. While thinking such a thing, from behind me comes a curious Saria.

“Seiichi, what’s that card??”

“U ̄n…… Its a card that allows me to learn a skill……”

The moment that I said so while twisting my neck, the card became a sphere of light, and was sucked into me.

[Skill «Disguise»] has been learned.

[Skill «Assimilation»] has been learned.

[Skill «Clairvoyant»] has been learned.

[Darkness Magic attribute series] can be used.

[Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship] has been learned.

[Secret Technique «Flash»] has been learned.

[Secret Technique «Mist» has been learned.

It resounds in my head, the voice that confirms the skills have been mastered and can be used.

[Disguise]…… trick the opponent, hiding your own status and ability, it is possible to make your opponent lower their guard. It is constantly activated, it can be released by your own will.

[Assimilation]…… it is possible to disappear by blending into the surroundings, and you can hide your presence from enemies using Search. But, the moment of the attack you have to release it or it won't hit.

[Clairvoyant]…… You can know the skill the enemy is using. Always active.

[Darkness magic series]…… Darkness magic series. All the Darkness magic can be used.

[Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship]…… you can use all the techniques of the zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship.

[Flash]…… a sure-hit technique.

[Mist]…… see through an opponents movements, parry all attacks, a secret technique that alters the attacks just like that. However, if you are tired mentally, it cannot be activated.

"What should I do?, I don't have the confidence to use them….!"

I scream as I confirm the skills.

I'm hesitant. Isn't it weird!? Or maybe the skills are normal…..

But [Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship] isn't it bad? In other words I thought there was no skill for attacks, but this [Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship] has included them all!?

Darkness attribute magic too, is the same as that time with the Aqua Wolf after defeating it, suddenly I had all the information about the water attribute magic flowing into my head. Then [Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship] is the same, that styles abilities flow into my head. Now I obtained knowledge about Darkness attribute magic, somehow it had a dangerous name, Oi.

That I don't know the effect is a bit regrettable…… but can I seriously

use this? Somehow I am scared that the skill will misfire again.....

But, I cant use the skills blindly, thinking carefully about things is what the battle with Zeanosu taught me, The skills I got in my hands now I think I will slowly but steady learn how to use them properly.

While thinking about such a thing, Saria says a little excited.

“Hey, what happened!? the lights entered inside Seiichi!?”

“Ah , just now I learned the skills”

“He~e..... Amazing! Seiichi, will become more powerful right!?’”

“Is, is that so?”

Until this day nobody has told me that I am cool, being told that with a big smile by a bishoujo such as Saria, more than embarrassed, I am confused.

“Well it’s fine, next is....”

While saying so the next thing I picked up is, [The Dark noble Zeanosu’s story] booklet

“Story!?”

I am surprised by the word that didn’t appear before. What’s more, in little letters below the title is “Non fiction”

“Then don’t call it a story!!”

I involuntary raise my voice. But, this booklet is different to the ones until now.

“What will be written?”

While I say so, Saria peeked from behind me. But, because it’s a little difficult to see I read it out loud.

“Let’s see...”

[The dark noble Zeanosu existed for more that 1500 years, and was part of the world leading aristocracy as the Duke and head of the Zefodo family. Zeanosu Zefodo became a demon. Before becoming a demon he

had influential power rivaling that of royalty in the Harumaru Empire, he was know as a good Lord inside and outside his country.

He created the Zefodo-ryu flow swordsmanship, he was very talented in swordsmanship, He taught swordsmanship to the Yuusha summoned in the Harumaru Empire to defeat the Maou.

He had a strong patriotic felling, and his relation with his loved wife Elizabeth was well-know.]

"he~e ~"

I don't know if she could understand it, but Saria was making an impressed voice.

But..... to teach the Yuusha swormanship. Just how strong was he? And he was a Duke. I understand now the title of dark noble.....

Whats more, it truly became something like a story.....

[But, the Harumaru Empire's Emperor Erushutatto III feared that after the yuusha had defeated the maou, he would turn his power against him, so he spread false rumours in the populace saying that the yuusha killed allied people from the country. And that rumour affected Zeanosu, the master of the Yuusha. There is also the fact that Zeanosu had power comparable to him and was an eyesore, it was the perfect chance to kill Zeanosu.]

..... Somehow the story is taking a dark turn?

[Zeanosu desperately tried to defend himself saying that there is no way he betrayed the country he loved, only to be completely ignored. Furthermore, after his beloved country betrayed him, the woman he loved even more, Elizabeth, betrayed him as well.]

..... ghe Seriously!? Didn't he get along with his wife!? I was surprised, but the hand turning the pages didn't stop.

[Zeanosu's wife Elizabeth only married him from the start for gold, it was a well arranged marriage between aristocracy. Furthermore, after the wedding she was a good wife supporting Zeanosu but, when the position

of Zeanosu worsened she discarded Zeanosu, and ran away.]

Oi, Elizabeth! …… well… thinking of yourself first is not wrong……. But, hearing the story from others, left a bad feeling.

[Zeanosu, even in a marriage of convenience, truly loved Elizabeth. But, his beloved country and his beloved wife betrayed him, not understanding true love any more, he despaired in the world]

"u~u……"

I thought I heard a voice, I turn my back and there was Saria with tears in her eyes. I patted Saria's head with a smile, from my back she strongly embraced me…….

Br, breasts……. While holding onto my reasoning so it doesn't fly again, I keep reading.

[But, atfter that the one who encouraged Zeanosu was a maid, Mari. Mari was in a orphanage on the verge of starvation when Zeanosu saved the place, and following that day she is a girl who became a maid. Mari, not only being saved, but even given work was greatly thankful to Zeanosu and fell in love with him. But, Zeanosu was the master and Mari was a maid. In this time when position was important, there was the mistress named Elizabeth, Mari couldn't become engaged with Zeanosu. Its not like there wasn't polygamy, but Zeanosu was a devoted man that didn't take even a single concubine.]

"……"

"……"

Saria and I read it eagerly.

Somehow the more you read the more you want to read the next part.

[His beloved country betrayed him, his beloved wife betrayed him, Zeanosu was in absolute despair and was incapable of trusting anyone. Then, the country sent the army with an order to catch Zeanosu. Getting caught was only a question of time, so Mari took Zeanosu who was in a impotent state and ran away to another country]

The escape kitaaaaaaaaaa!

Ne, next is!?

[While they were running from the soldiers, and when trying to save Zeanosu, Mari keep moving. Zeanosu who has fallen in misanthropy had closed his heart, but after seeing the hardworker Mari trying her best he opened his heart to her]

"……"

I turn the page in silence.

[Then, to such a Zeanosu, good news arrived. That was that Erushutatto III died from illness, and the IV rose to power. Erushutatto IV, told Zeanosu, that he wanted to apologize because of the hardships his father caused him. The paper requested him to return to the castle. Thanks to Mari his Misanthropy was almost cured, and again he could return to the country he loved…… whats more, the emperor in person wants to apologize, Zeanosu was so happy, and hurried to the castle]

"Oh……"

"I, I am so gla~ad……"

Saria and I, without realizing it had both become tense following the story.

[But, what was waiting for Zeanosu in the castle was a cruel reality]

"Eh?"

At that sentence Saria and I leave out a stupid sound.

[The paper that hurried them to the country, was all to attract Zeanosu, a trap to kill him. The Harumaru Empire, used Zeanosu's patriotism to trick him.]

"Harumaru Empire you bastard!"

"Horrible……"

I shout without realizing, Saria was letting out tears without stopping.

[Erushutatto IV, didn't have the intention of capturing Zeanosu, he

wanted to kill him just like that. Obviously, for the security of the emperor in order to get an audience with the king in the castle, the weapons are confiscated, there is no way to resist. If it was the previously powerless Zeanosu, it will be easy to kill him, but now he has Mari as his heart support, so in order to return to Mari alive he fought the soldiers bare-handed]

"Oh, Zeanosu's so cooooool……!"

"Amazing……"

[But, Zeanosu has a limit too, the moment his physical strength hit the limit he will be killed on the spot. The one who shielded Zeanosu was, the maid who gave Zeanosu a reason to live, Mari]

"Mari *iiiiiiiiiiiiiiii*!!"

Saria and I shout without realizing.

But……but…!

[The Girl, used her own body to protect Zeanosu from the arrows, swords and spears that attacked him. To the stunned Zeanosu, Mari confessed she always loved Zeanosu, and took her last breath with a smile. Before Mari, Zeanosu broke. His heart broke completely, he changed, and started killing all the soldiers with his bare-hands. That was, Zeanosu didn't consider that his physical strength has hit it's limit.]

"U~u……"

"gusu n……"

[Then, taking good care of the body of Mari, he hide in a certain forest. Inside the forest he tried using the elixir that was made using the anti-soul grass, but Mari's body was so damaged that revival was impossible. Zeanosu's light attribute magic could heal her wounds, but could not revive her. But, in the darkness magic, there is a forbidden technique to call back the dead, if he used that magic, it was possible to revive her. From here on, Zeanosu started researching the darkness magic, reaching the pinnacle of darkness magic.]

I understand now……that's why Zeanosu searched for the darkness magic.

[But, Zeanosu was getting old, weakening both physically and mentally, and was rotting away without a chance to use his magic. But, because Zeanosu had strong feelings of tenacity, Zeanosu survived by transforming into a demon]

"……"

"……"

[Zeanosu converted into a Demon, and tried to revive Mari using the forbidden spell from the darkness magic, but the result was a failure. The reason was because Mari had been dead for too long, she reached a stage where not even the darkness magic's forbidden spell could revive her.]

Now, Saria and I didn't think of anything but to keep reading.

[After finding this out, Zeanosu, from the eyes without eyes cried. From the body without vocal cords he let out a crying voice. From then on, Zeanosu, together with the body of Mari spent his days in the depth of his proud most difficult high grade dungeon,[The Forest of the endless sorrow]

That's where the [Dark noble Zeanosu's story] came to an end, and I closed it and looked at [The dark noble Zeanosu's life] cover.

……

"This world is cruel……!"

"Is so sad…… Seiichi……"

We are, crying from Zeanosu's story. Zeanosu…… that guy has been through a lot of things. From the beginning I could not imagine it from his tone and his attitude.

Saria looked away from the booklet in my hand, now she put her face in my back and is quietly crying.

I pat the head of such a Saria, and just like that start reading "Dark

noble Zeanosu life".

As a result, a tremendous amount of information entered my head.

That was 1500 years ago, so the situation right now might be different.

The most interesting thing is the amount of demons he fought before becoming a demon. You could consider him a hero.

The information about demons, from the eliminations methods to the things you shouldn't do, with the defeated number of demons from Zeanosu plus my 3 defeated monsters it was a lot of very important information.

The yuusha in the information, it seems to be a ritual of yuusha summoning that takes place in a variety of countries each time the devil is restored. In other words, other than the guys of my school, there might have been some yuusha summoned that God doesn't know about.

In addition, the summoned yuusha, apparently are automatically given a weapon called the holy sword of legend when they are summoned.

The Maou can only be defeated by the holy sword, or so it seems, Zeanosu was only a swordmanship teacher of the yuusha, it was one of the reasons why he did not go to subdue it directly.

The first reason, ironically was that Zeanosu was the strength of the Harumaru Empire, and apart from the revival of the maou the country was also in a violent war so Zeanosu could not be sent on a journey.

After reading all the booklet, it became a light, and disappears into the inside of my body.

"Fu ~u..... lets change the atmosphere!"

I blow away the dark atmosphere, and became cheerful. (TL note: What a positive guy...)

"Um? Next is....."

Then, next I picked up Zeanosu's Stat's that became a sphere. I, checked them one by one.

『Magic Power : 60000』

『Attack Power : 50000』

『Defence Power : 20000』

『Agility : 70000』

『Magic Attack : 60000』

『Magic defence : 60000』

『Luck : 100』

『Charm : 50000』

"These numbers …!?"

It's weird right!? The stat's are all above 20000!? Wait, Luck is so low!

Well I knew he was a ridiculous guy with a level above 1500……. What's more, the luck after reading the [Dark noble Zeanosu story] I can believe it……!

Heck, is my charm even lower than a skeleton!? Even more, Zeanosu's charm is 50000! Ohhhh…… so depressing. But don't be discouraged!

The sphere of stat's, just like that entered my body, then ignoring the voice in my head I go to the drop items.

The remaining things were, a jet black sword, a pure white sword and a treasure box beside it. I open the treasure box.

"This is……?"

The first thing that is inside is…… a black collar? Iya, I think it's a choker.

Observing it well, it doesn't seem to be plastic nor metal…… well, it seems that it's a mysterious material with a weird feel that I never felt before when I was on earth. In the middle, a beautiful blue gem is embedded. I start appraising it immediately, to confirm the name and the effect.

[Choker of the Black king]……. Class <Mythical>

Equipment class. Of all the materials that exist in the world, this black king stone that is made into a choker is especially rare. It can reflect magic attacks. But, the power to reflect magic, depends on the level of the wearer. The jewel embedded in the middle, called blue healing stone, has the power to augment the power of recovery magic. The size of the equipment varies according to the wearer.

"Suddenly too big a cheat……!"

And furthermore it's Mythical class!? It's stronger than my dagger of water spirits ball!?

Scary wa~a…… Zeanosu is scary.

But, it has very nice effects, I hurried and equipped it to my neck.

Following that, for some reason it fit perfectly on my neck, there is no felling of discomfort. This is, the effect to change size depending of the owner.

"Um? Next is……"

The next thing that was inside the treasure box is, another neck equipment, a necklace. A silver chain, and hanging in the middle of it there is a pink colored jewel with the form of a heart.

"A heart ha?…… I wonder if I should give this to Saria?"

While thinking such a thing I started appraising it.

[Endless Love necklace]…… Fantasy class equipment. Under Zeanosu's special conditions the only way in the world to get one is to defeat him. A Pink coloured jewel with the form of a heart which is called the "Love jewel", or "Love Heart"", which has been said to be a jewel of legend. The silver from the chain part is a special silver called Sawden silver that is said to be only in legends.

It has the effect of both copy silver and Sawden silver. The copy silver and Sawden silver effect synergy, the first owner has to divide the

necklace and give it to a loved person. The persons that have this necklace, even when they are far apart can use the ability called “Sense talk”, no matter where they are they can contact each other. The effect of “love heart” can double your stats for every person wearing the same necklace. TN: Maybe person nearby.

“…… OH……”

For this reaction I want your forgiveness.

Wait Fantasy class!? I knew they existed!?

And what’s with that effect, I don’t understand!? Eh, the stat’s get doubled if there are two people with the same necklace!? In short, a pair gets doubled and three people make it triple!?

This is a dream like item for a harem bastard!? It is absolutely! I, I am gla~ad…… that I am the one with this, that way a harem bastard can’t power up. Somewhere harem bastard……

While I was thinking various bad things with the necklace in front of my eyes, Saria was looking over my shoulder at the necklace without me realizing.

“U wa~a…… such a cute necklace!”

“Eh? A, ah. That’s true”

un…… this, is better if Saria is equipped with it rather than me. While thinking so, I give the necklace in my hand to Saria, in that moment.

“N? Tte…… waa!?”

“Wa~a……”

Suddenly the necklace started emitting pink light for the first time.

“Wait…… what!? What happened!?”

While I was panicking, the light died down and there were two necklaces in my hand.

“…… Wai?”

Eh, why did it become two? It isn’t cursed right? Well…… seriously it

became two? I am scared. …… Yes. I know the reason. Well…… I didn't think it would seriously become two.

In short, the first owner gives the necklace to the person he holds affection for…… the first owner that will be me, and the person I love…… that's Saria, and then the necklace will become two.

Wait…… now that I saw it with my own eyes, I am glad I noticed that I truly love Saria. …… Oh, well…… in the end it's all right! Its not like thinking about it is a pain! If I say it's not then it's not! With such silly thoughts going around, I turn to Saria.

"Saria. This pendant…… will you accept it?"

"Eh? It's fine?"

"Yes, and ……"

While saying so, I pull out the other pendant, and show it to Saria.

"Here. If I wear one as well then Saria and I will match"

I say so while smiling, Saria is surprised for a second, then here face grow red as she says.

"Ummm…… well then…… I'll accept one?"

"……"

Saria in bishōjo state, the destructive power of the combo that comes from the up-from-under look while the fidgeting was terrifying. I could feel my own face getting red, I pass the necklace to Saria, but Saria stops me, shaking her head.

"Umm. I don't want to put it on myself, I want Seiichi to put it on for me."

"eh?"

"It's no good?"

Here is Saria with her killer class combo from the up-from-under look while fidgeting, without saying a word I put the necklace on Saria's neck .

"Is, is this fine?"

“Un, thanks!”

When you say so with a smile on the whole face, nothing matters anymore. Ah, I completely fell in love. I haven’t known her long, but to fall in love with a Saria Class bishojo, for a lot of reasons it’s so hard!…… Like being a former gorilla. Well, she is still a gorilla.

After having such an exchange with Saria, I confirm again the inside of the treasure box, there is only money. So, I remove the money bag and check the contents, 5000 Platinium, 47000 gold, and 76000 silver. ……

Certainly when I get out of the forest I will need money, but I’ll never need this much…….

But, even if I don’t need it, I am not gonna throw it away. I put every drop item into the items box. With this, almost all the drop items are appraised. So, the only thing ————

“…… The problem, is this……”

In front of me is, the pure white sword, and the jet black sword. The pure white sword, I know it’s the one Zeanosu used, the jet black sword, after the defeat of Zeanosu it fall and pierced the ground…….But, thinking about it won’t do a thing so first lets appraise the jet black sword, I activated the appraise skill.

[Sword of revolting hate (Black)]…… fantasy class weapon. The thing that embodied Zeanosu’s hate, a rapier. The slashed enemy will be affected by a random status effect. In addition, every time it cuts the opponent it steals magic and stamina, and recovers the users magic and stamina. But, it can’t heal wounds. Recovery amount of stamina and magic is dependent on the level of the owner.

“Oh, this is such a cheat”

But, I wont use this cheat weapon even if I have it. I don’t have that type of ability. (TL note: and the style you just learned?)

First of all, I came from a peaceful world, and suddenly getting this dangerous weapon it has to be some weird misunderstanding (TL: I give up on this guy….).

From the very beginning I misunderstood my power. Well, its not good to be overconfident on skills. If the skill user is useless then they wont be able to use the full power. Un…… to live in this dangerous world, strong weapons and skills are essential, but the confidence to use them……. This is where the effort is, my eternal challenge.

"Wait, this sword has no scabbard……"

While saying so, suddenly the [Sword of revolting hate]…… Black, was wrapped in darkness coloured light, when the light disappeared the sword was in a scabbard.

"…… Uwa~a, as expected from another world. Everything can happen."

However, now that it's in this form it's a big help, without complaining about anything I put it in my belt.

"The last…… this pure white sword"

I pick the pure white sword up in my hands, and activated the appraisal skill.

[Sword overflowing with Benevolence (White)]…… fantasy class weapon. Zeanosu's special conditions, defeat him to obtain the weapon. Touching a comrade, it is possible to transfer magic and physical strength with the intention of the owner. The owner, enters a supernatural recovery state, to some extent the damage and scratches are completely healed overnight. When you use recovery magic, the effect is doubled from normal. However, these effects depends on the level of the owner.

"As I said, so much cheating!"

What the hell!? I am graced by the great cheat!?

And the compatibility with black one, isn't it too great!? It's almost invincible!

With all the cheat equipment, the only salvation is that even now I am a level 1. If I had Zeanosu's class level…… With only the equipment I won't stop being human. It's kind of funny, I feel having this equipment is unfortunate, but I haven't met any other humans yet. If I finally meet

someone and they have equipment like mine I will be relieved.

“More important…… this sword also doesn’t have a scabbard”

As I murmured so again, the “Sword overflowing with Benevolence”…… was wrapped in a kind light and when the light disappeared it was in a white scabbard.

Well, I shouldn’t be surprised. Zeanosu’s drop items were… for a lot of reasons there were so much tsukkomi packed in that I am tired. I made a sigh while thinking that it will be great if I can somehow use them.

But, I was forgetting the most important part.

I shouldn’t relax in a place like this.

“The acquisition of a large amount of experience has been confirmed. The state to do the final evolution has been confirmed. Special evolution conditions achieved. It was confirmed that you have achieved the evolution conditions by the difference of 1000 levels. Upon the achievement of the final evolution, the other party was confirmed to be a dungeon boss. From this, the final evolution, the special evolution will happen. Bonus evolution occurs. Now, all stat’s will receive 50000 + 20000 + 20000 + 10000. From now, the final evolution, special evolution, and bonus evolution will happen.” Why is the indifferent voice that I always hear so much longer than usual ————

“Ah”

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That’s all I could say.

Author note :

Saria being a gorilla girl I think is an important factor, I changed it to that setting.

And Seiichi……. Goodbye to humanity.

Chapter 16 Result of the final evolution

I —- Takimiya Shota, due to a voice who calls himself god, have travelled to a different world.

Rather than traveled, saying I have been summoned would be more correct.

Currently, surrounding all of us from school, there are a lot of people wearing robes and looking at us.

“This is another world?”

“It was so sudden at first that I was confused…”

“But if you think carefully, aren’t we all cheats? Let’s take it easy and live comfortably.”

“A Demon lord will be easy!”

“But, I still…”

While the surrounding people are observing us, we are in various states of emotions. Some of us are excited and others are fearful.

Normally, when you are suddenly summoned you would be mad more than happy. I will be mad. No, I am already mad.

Because – I have my mom and dad back on earth. What's more, I have a lot of friends outside of school too.

My parents and friends won't remember us now that we have been summoned to a world. This… I wonder how many people realise how sad this is?

Furthermore, something about an increasing population…. so annoying. Just take away people from other countries. Ours has a declining birth rate and an aging population. Complete a thorough field survey.

Even while spitting curses, I don't neglect the observations of my surroundings. I don't know what type of situation could develop suddenly.

For the moment, the place we have been summoned is a dim room made of stone.

Because I knew the entire school was summoned, I thought we would be summoned outside, so it's a surprise that we are inside a room. It is unusually big. While I am lost in my thoughts, voices call me from behind.

"Ohh, there you are. Shouta!"

"Oniichan!"

“!”

When I turn around to see the the sources of the voices, both a male and female student are coming towards me.

“Kenji! And Miwa! You did well finding me.”

“Well, we are childhood friends.”

“I just followed Kenji-oniichan though.”

The ones that came here are my childhood friend and classmate Araki Kenji, and my imouto, Takamiya Miwa.

Kenji has short natural brown hair and a characteristic friendly smile. It isn’t rare in our school but he is an idol-class pretty boy.

Miwa has black hair that extends to her shoulders and wears a flower hairpin. The atmosphere is as it looks – feelings of cleanliness and healthiness are overflowing. Even I, as her brother, think of her as cute. I am not a siscon.

But it’s not like both of them belong to an idol group. Me as well – it’s not like I didn’t get scouted – I rejected them all I as was not interested.

Wait, being a childhood friend has nothing to do with finding me…….

“More importantly, Miwa. It’s Kenji-Senpai, no? Don’t call me oniichan, call me Miyashiro-senpai.”

“Eh. We are not in school. What’s more, calling oniichan ‘senpai’, somehow I don’t like it-!”

Well, me too. I feel uncomfortable with Miwa calling me senpai……

While I was having such an exchange, this time voices called not only me, but all of us.

“Ah, there you are!”

“We have been searchiii *ing* !”

Kenji and I turn to the source of the voices and two girls were coming towards us.

“Oh, Eri and Rika?”

The two that have appeared are my girlfriend, Niijima Eri, and Kenji’s girlfriend, Murata Rika.

Eri is, in short, a baby-face with straight hair – she is even shorter than my imouto and is possibly the shortest person in our grade. By the way, I am not a lolicon. I am not.

Rika has wavy black hair and slightly drooping eyes and somehow she gives off a quiet aura. Well, she practically just goes with my pace….

By the way, these two were reasonably famous idols. Well, it is fine to say they belonged to an idol group.

“Alright, with this we are the usual members.”

When Eri and Rika reach us, Kenji says so.

“Ehh? But Kannazuki-san and Hino-san. Also, Seiichi-kun is?”

As Eri asked so in a lisping state, we look around.

“I saw Hino a little while ago with people that seem to be her friends.”

Kenji says so, but I don’t see Kannazuki-senpai or Seiichi.

“…… Well, Kannazuki-senpai will be fine. Seiichi is……”

“As expected, that loner that was transported alone is Seiichi-onii chan!?”

At that mention, Miwa got a somewhat nervous expression.

“We don’t know for sure, but…..”

“Wait. I will confirm it with Seiichi’s classmates.”

Kenji says so and calls a nearby classmate of Seiichi’s who just happened to pass by.

“Oy, Aoyama.”

“N? What’s up, Araki?”

“You – know something about Seiichi?”

“Seiichi?”

Aoyama tilts his neck from Kenji’s words.

“Was there someone with a name like that in our class?”

We frown at Aoyama’s words.

Then a guy close to Aoyama, Taiboku suddenly starts laughing and speaks to Aoyama.

“Aoyama, Seiichi is the pig – the pig. Ihihi-.”

“Pig? … … AH! That pig bastard! As it was such a cool sounding name, I thought he was an ikemen.” TN: ikemen = good looking guy.

After being reminded by Taiboku, Aoyama explains it to us while laughing.

“That trash is not here? Because he was going to become a hindrance, we didn’t let him enter into the group.”

“That’s it. That guy with no reason to live – he should die alr —- Ugh-!

I was waiting and listening to Taiboku and Aoyama’s words, but they were unable to say anymore.

Because, Kenji was lifting both Aoyama and Taiboku in each arm, holding them by the collar.

“Oy, bastards……. In other words, you abandoned Seiichi?”

Kenji questions both of them in a low voice.

Usually he has a friendly smile and is normally known for having a bright personality – when he’s angry, he is scary.

He has a height of around 185cm, knows boxing and possesses brute strength.

“Wh-why?! It doesn’t matter!”

“Th-That’s it. Aren’t we just telling the truth?!”

However, the two say so with faces distorted in pain.

“Bastards…..”

It was the moment Kenji was about go berserk.

“Come on… Don’t get so worked up.”

On Kenji’s hands who was lifting the two, a white hand was placed.

“Ka-Kannazuki-senpai……”

“Put them down.”

With glossy black hair that extends to her waist, this is a beauty that is wearing a dignified aura who is our school’s student president and our childhood friend, Kannazuki Karen.

Due to the words of Kannazuki-senpai who is a head shorter than him, Kenji reluctantly obeyed her orders and put them down violently. Then the two fell to the ground.

“Why did you stop me?! Because of these guys, Seiichi is….!”

“I know. I too am very angry.”

Kenji says so and falls silent with a pale face.

I say so, but my, Miwa’s, and the others also turn pale from hearing senpai’s words.

This person. She has gotten mad for Seiichi only once.

The incident at that time… I think everyone, including me, remember. At that time…. Seiichi better be alive.

In fact, in our eyes, Kannazuki-senpai is very angry. Well, there is only one reason….

More than that, it’s super scary. Yabe~e, I want to go home.

As if she knows what types of feelings we are having, Kannazuki-senpai makes a wry smile at us for a second, then she turns to Aoyama and the other guy and crouches down.

“Only one person from your class doesn’t seem to be here.”

“Ye-Yes.”

Aoyama says so with a very frightened face and Kannazuki-senpai

sends a frozen glare at them.

“Idiotic. Truly idiotic. In a situation of emergency, even in that time, you would still continue such worthless bullying? “

“That is……”

“In the end, the people from your class are only at that degree. Mou, I have nothing to say to you all.”

Until the end Kannazuki-senpai glares at them with cold eyes, then takes them out of her sight and stands up.

N-No mercyyyy…..

Kannazuki is the daughter of the famous Kannazuki group on Earth. In fact, she was supposed to go to a more prestigious school for smart students but she didn’t want to go there. The reason, she said, is because it was close to her house, but the truth is she didn’t want to separate from us. No, rather than us, she didn’t want to separate from him.

In addition, Kannazuki-senpai is popular with both the girls and boys of the school. Even in our school which has the purpose of fostering idols, the beauty of Kannazuki-senpai was more than that. Well behaved, beautiful and intelligent…… Those are the words that first come into your mind when you think of her, so her popularity is obvious. Even when there is inconvenience.

If you see this person, you get the feeling of a powerful Japanese

woman. Well, you might call her the embodiment of a Yamato Nadeshiko (Idealized Japanese Woman), but with the exception of us, she doesn't get involved with others……

Due to the popular Kannazuki-senpai's words that lack mercy, Aoyama and Taiboku have fallen into a state of despair. Ah, out of these two people one was a fan of Kannazuki-senpai.

While I was thinking such a thing, Kannazuki-senpai's bloodthirsty atmosphere from earlier seemed to be a lie and as usual returned to normal.

"Well, this time we can say that Seiichi-kun is also at fault."

"That is…."

Kenji was about to deny it, but the words Kannazuki-senpai said were true.

Because I am his childhood friend, I can say that the man named Hiiragi Seiichi, for good or for worse, is too much of a nice person.

Eri, Rika and Hink didn't know him before he entered this school so the time they have been friends with Seiichi has been short.

But, Miwa, Kenji, Kannazuki-senpai and I are not like that.

Seiichi is our childhood friend, a special existence for us.

Seiichi, even though he has been bullied since elementary school, helped us.

When we were in times of life crisis, he saved us. Having Seiichi with bright personality close helped me maintain a positive attitude.

Such a Seiichi, because he cared for us, entered our school even though he wouldn't normally go to such a school. In middle school we realised, but since entering here his character was made more evident.

Even though none of us cared about it, he, on his own accord, avoided us…. To not put us in a bad position.

For thinking to cover for us and purposely separating from us, senpai got mad at Seiichi – Kannazuki-senpai was super scary. Ah, I am trembling from remembering it.

Anyway, because he kept minding and avoiding us, even now Seiichi is getting bullied.

I don't intend to boast about our appearances, but because Kenji and I have decent looks, we have a decent position at the school. That's why it was our turn to help and support Seiichi.

But it's not like we were always at the place Seiichi was bullied. What's more, no matter how much we asked who was bullying him, he didn't tell us.

When Seiichi's parents died, there was a time when he shut himself indoors and didn't rely on us.

With such an attitude, I thought he didn't think of us as his friends so there were times when I felt it was frustrating. I wanted him to rely on us, his friends, more.

Yet he carried it alone……..

While I was thinking about Seiichi, Kannazuki relaxes her cheeks and speaks.

"But….. If it is Seiichi-kun, he will be fine."

Those words, to people who don't know anything, will seem too optimistic. In fact, Eri and Rika twist their neck. But Miwa, Kenji and I are different. Without realising it, Kannazuki-senpai's words make us show a bitter smile.

"True, if it's him….."

"If it is Seiichi-oniichan….."

Miwa and Kenji say so with a smile.

Really, if it is Seiichi, he will be fine. Although there is no evidence, that thought appears like it is natural.

His positive thinking is world class. When you are with him, it is fun.

No matter the dangerous place he is at, it turning out fun isn't weird. He will survive while going on a path that is outside of our imaginations.

"Right, Seiichi?", I muttered with a small voice.

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I…… Hiiragi Seiichi, have to confront an unexpected reality.

"Seiichi! I don't want it…… I don't want you to dieeeee!"

Saria who is beside the fallen me, cries so. Such a picture, I am seeing it from above. Yeah, let me explain what state I'm in.

I—-

[I am in a state of astral projectio *o*o~ooooon!?]

—— That's it.

Wait, isn't this bad!? I am currently a ghost!

Ca-Calm down…… Why I am in this form, for starters, let's re-organise it.

First, when I thought I heard the voice in my head announcing that evolution like a death sentence, my consciousness faded away. Most likely, I lost my consciousness due to the abnormal pain.

I then awoke, looking down at Saria in tears and holding my body.

At first, I didn't understand and looked at my own body, which for some reason is transparent. And there are no legs.

……. If you don't call this a ghost, then what do you call it?

"! This is not the time to calmly analyse!? I am currently dying!?"

What's more, Saria is crying over my dead body! That is strange!

Because, apart from the hair and eyes on my body, the rest of the face and body are going 'bokobokoboko'-! Many times I have transformed, and dented, collapsed, stretched and shrunk……

In other words, my body stopped having a human form!?

And it's not my imagination, I can hear sounds that can't be heard coming from a human body!? Like 'kyu~i~i~i~i~in'! Like Dogangakinzugan! Like 'Zugo*oooo*~o'!

I mean, it's so disgusting-! My body….. Somehow resembles a slime! And because it is dressed, it is so surreal!

I thought that I will confirm what appearance I had…… But this is not the appearance of a human and it doesn't resemble my normal appearance…… Huh? I am unexpectedly adapting to this situation? In this situation, I thought about confirming my appearance.

While I think of such a thing while looking down upon myself, Saria makes a face as if she remembers something.

"I-I know! Certainly, at this time……"

This time, what time is it? A human becoming a slime is not something that happens a lot, no!? If I were to find such a situation, I am confident that I would run away. While I was nodding to myself, Saria says a ridiculous thing.

"Cardiac massage and artificial respiration!"

No no, no no, no! Wrooooong!? To give a heart massage to a human that became something like a slime! Furthermore, to give artificial respiration when the face is 'gochagocha', I don't even know where the mouth is! And more impressive, Saria knows about heart massages and artificial respiration……

"Now that I know what to do, I will put it into practice right away!"

That's not what you have to doooooooooooooo!

My body that is going 'gunyangunyan', trying to do a Cardiac massage! You will only break it! And what will happen to my bones, digestive

system and liver!?

Heck, what will happen to my body!? I myself became a ghost!

While I continue to tsukkomi Saria, and think about what to do about my state, Saria places her hand in the position that seems to be my chest and begins the cardiac massage.

“Ei~ E i~ E i~ Ei~!”

Extend and straighten the elbow, continue to put pressure on the center of the chest…… Even so, I doubt there really is a position of my chest – my body hasn’t kept its original form. Well, if you have been putting the hand in the proper position on the chest, the method of the cardiac massage – it is perfect! The only unfortunate thing is, my body doesn’t have a human form. If the body is going ‘gunyagunya’, performing a cardiac massage is pretty pointless!

After performing the chest compressions around 30 times, she is probably going to do the artificial respiration. But, Saria sees the thing that looks like my face, then twists her neck and without performing artificial respiration says

“Huh? Where is the mouth?”

You don’t know-!? Then why the hell did you start it!?

No, I am glad she was willing to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation for me! But, you know? This isn’t the problem!? In fact, I’m in a ghost

state!!

But no matter how much I tsukkomi, right now my voice doesn't reach Saria.

And, Saria in her crazyland, suddenly says such a thing.

"I see! It's useless because my power is not enough!"

Wroooooooooooooong!!!!

It's wrong, Saria-san! Completely wrong! Right now, you should realise it is impossible to perform artificial respiration on my body! Why, from here, do you think you don't have enough strength?

"If that's the case…. Ei!"

With such a shout, Saria's body is wrapped in light and after a while the light subsides and what appears is a Gorilla naked shirt. (Saria in Gorilla form)

"Seiichi, wait. Now – assist!"

Wa-Wait a moment. What are you planning to do? Gorilla-san……"

Furthermore, why isn't it only part that transformed into a gorilla – why did you transform into a complete gorilla form? The nude shirt I never

wanted to see a second time – I thought I wouldn't ever see the gorilla nude shirt again....!

While I was feeling unusual anxiety from the Gorilla's behaviour, suddenly the Gorilla made a fist with both hands, raises it up—-

"Ei-!"

—- And swings it down at my body.

"My bodyyyyyyyyyy!"

Destroyed! My body was destroyed! It made a 'Becha' sound!"

"..... Huh?"

Huh? My aaaaaaaaaasss!

My body splashed around *u*u*u*uuuuuu! The body I need to return to aa a a a aahh!

I, who became a ghost, am crying with my head down at my wits end, when an incredulous sight is reflected in my eyes.

"..... E?"

That is, the part of my body that went flying slowly started moving,

then became one piece again.

.....

I wonder if I have gone crazy in the head.

If I, in my ghost state, manage to go back into my body, I think that at that time, I will quit humanity. Certainly. What should I say, let alone goodbye humanity, it is good to even say goodbye organisms..... No, it's not good.

When my brain processing speed has caught up with the status quo, suddenly my body mass starts emitting light.

And, when the light disappears from in front of my eyes, there is a gorilla holding her eyes with bother her hands——

"Eyes..... My Eyes"

Why do you know that line!? Ah, I said it! What's more, what a messy pronunciation!

While I was watching the sole gorilla, suddenly a strong power starts pulling me.

"Wh-what!?"

Turning in the direction which i am being pulled, there is what looks like my body, shining…

“Eh!? Can it be that I am returning to my body!?”

It is a lie, no!? To that formless mass!? It doesn’t even have human form!? It’s wearing clothes even after it collapsed and gathered itself…… There are a lot of weird things!

No matter how much I resist, I can’t win against the force pulling me back, so I am pulled towards the shining mass that is my body.

Being pulled in, it’s somehow a mysterious feeling.

Even though my body hasn’t kept human form, I somehow feel that it is really familiar. In addition, the eyes, mouth and nose don’t exist… … But I feel everything. This… Is scary.

When I surrendered to this indescribable feeling, it looks like my body is gradually starting to take some form.

It is a familiar humanoid form.

Hands, feet, torso, head …… Like that, it’s taking more and more shape.

Eye, ear, nose, mouth and boy parts and *etc*. are formed.

Somehow, it's a funny feeling.

I feel a strange sense of omnipotence.

"Se-Seiichi……"

Even though the eyes aren't made completely, I know that Saria is already back in human form.

When I hear the surprised voice of such a Saria, my body was completed.

"……"

I quietly open my eyes.

And immediately, I look down at my body.

The clothes from before the evolution have not changed.

The hands and feet exist properly.

Only, it's a fit body that I couldn't have imagined while on Earth. I also feel that my eyes are slightly higher than before…….

Far from going bald, it seems like the amount of hair has increased. Prior to the evolution, my hair was thin…… While I was confirming my

body, Saria suddenly comes into my sight.

"Po~"

..... I wonder what's happening. Saria is looking at me with reddened cheeks and an innocent face. Well, it's fine because she isn't a gorilla!

Heck, even when I was in that disgusting evolution, Saria didn't pull away from me – I without a doubt, would have run away.

On the contrary, she tried to help me..... Even now, I can't understand what she loves about me. A women likes me! ..... A former gorilla, though. No, she is still a gorilla.

Oops..... More important than that, let's check the status. This is what I am more curious about.

I immediately display the status. What's changed after evolving, let's confirm it.

<<Hiiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Human (Human)

Gender: Male (M)

Occupation: Unnamed Monster (Magic Swordsman)

Age: 17 (17)

Level: 1 (1)

Magic: 116,024 (11)

ATK: 118,075 (11)

DEF: 113,252 (11)

AGI: 120,252 (12)

Magic Attack: 115,563 (11)

Magic Defense: 116,665 (11)

Luck: 109,030 (10)

Charm: The pounding heart will break (10)

<<Equipment>>

Fine quality shirt. Fine quality pants. Fine quality singlet. Fine quality underwear. Wise Monkey Chain. Dagger of water spirits ball. Bracelet of the night . Choker of black king stone. Endless Love necklace. Sword of

revolving Hatred. Sword of Overflowing Benevolence.

<<Unique Skills>>

Instant Memory. Full Memory. Instant Learning. Instantaneous Recovery. Complete Dismantling. Mind's Eye.

<Skill>>

[Attack] Kiashi. Shokiba. Tsuoyshitsume.

[Resistant] Paralysis resistance. Sleep resistance. Confusion resistance. Fascinated resistance. Petrochemical resistance. Inhibition resistance. Poison resistance. Fatigue resistance.

[Move] Setsuna.

[Special Skill] Senior appraiser. Ultra Formation. Tool Production: First class. Search enemy. Impersonation. Assimilation. Clairvoyance.

<<Magic>>

Life Magic. Water Attribute Magic: Extreme. Darkness Magic: Extreme.

<<Secret Techniques>>

Gale. Spark. Mist.

<<Martial Arts>>

Zefodo Flow Swordsmanship: Founder.

<<Titles>>

Smelly player. Man with a Gorilla Wife. Top in Everything. Restraint free. Male king.

<<Gold>>

1,000,000,000G

“It’s useless, I don’t understand iiiiiit.....!”

I understand that I have a crazy status, but I don’t get how it became like this.....!

Why have a lot of things increased? What does it mean!?

And, my race changed to a normal human!? From that disgusting evolution!?

What was written in the race column, a lot of words making tsukkomis, suddenly changed to human.

“Human”…… I wonder just how much meaning is condensed in this word. The final evolution, after all, has turned out to stop at a race named human. I don’t think it’s only human.

“So deep.”

Say, I was human to begin with!? I thought I was going to evolve into some lifeform that broke the level of humanity!?

Even so, I did not think that I would think so deeply about being called human here!

Well, putting the race aside, that I didn’t turn away from humanity is good. Let’s think positively, Mm hmm.

But you know? What the hell is the occupation ‘Unnamed Monster’? Wasn’t my race human? Why is the occupation monster? Isn’t it contradicting? I mean, treating me like a monster, isn’t it horrible? Haven’t I been living up to this point as a human to the fullest?

And what a status! It’s not even at Zeanosu’s level! Seeing this status, you can only nod at the profession of monster, bakayarou-! (ED: Moron, Idiot, Dumb-ass. the ‘yarou’ makes it more vulgar.)

And what the hell is that charm!? ‘It seems like the pounding heart will break’?

Eh, what? Love 1000%. It’s like the song from ‘Uta no ouji-sama’!? And even though I thought it was the long awaited departure from being

blank….. I don’t understand, the meaning. Fuck!

(ED: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ltz3Q1CLZOU Now it makes more sense to me.)

Tsuka, what is the new column of unique skills!? The usual ‘Absolute Disassembly’ is there too!

For the time being, let’s analyse the unique skills I haven’t seen before.

“Instant Memory”…… Skill that lets you memorize things instantly.

“Complete Memory”…… Skill that stops you forgetting anything once it has been memorized.

“Instant Learning.”…… Learn anything the instant you are taught.

“Shingan” (Mind’s eye)…… Dynamic vision augmented, a skill that makes attacks seem slow. Secondly, various things can be seen.

“Damn it-! Isn’t it a cheat display-!? “

What the hell have I become!? Isn’t the result that after a full revolution, the race ‘human’ is just for show!

Instant Memory and Complete Memory. I learn and remember various things in an instant – I wonder if I won’t forget anything? This cheat, I

wanted it back when I was on Earth …!

Furthermore, the skill ‘Shingan’ is amazing…… Making the attacks go slower, this isn’t on the level of a human! I am an evildoer. And, I have become able to see various things. What the hell can I see!? A ghost!?

…… Well, the unique skills are fine like this.

The skills too, are somehow being organised like this to make it easier to see.

In the new column, magic and secret techniques haven’t changed. Yes, the things I have obtained are displayed without a change. Alright, let’s move to the titles.

“—- God Damn! Don’t mess with meeeeeeeee!”

I screamed like so with all my might. Enough – I reached my limit!

At me who suddenly shouts, Saria looks at my face with a surprised face but I’m not finished. In the column of titles, let’s check the titles one by one.

‘The Man with a Gorilla Wife’…… This title is amazing. If you have this title, no matter what happens in the future, you will overcome it…… Or so I think.

“It’s not the spirit theoryyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyy!”

What's more, it's not confirmed-! Certainly, if you have a gorilla wife, no matter what happens, anything will seem trivial!? That's because having a gorilla wife is important!

Far from a great effect, It's not even a trivial effect – it's like a shit title!

While I think such a thing, I pass on to the next title.

'Top in everything' ..... Top in everything.

"The description is way too useleeeeeeeeeess!"

There is a limit to cutting corners! I will not know all the effects? What the heck does 'top in everything' mean!? What is the meaning of this? I have to search in google!? Is there a result? Well, I don't have a computer or internet.

'Restraint Free'..... Restraint isn't known. The limit of growth is gone.

"I really don't know restraint!?"

If I do not have a limit growth, that means I can continue to grow indefinitely?

If I grow more than this, what should I aim for!? Maou? Or God?

‘Male King’ …… The reproduction function becomes great. An ultra-unequalled mode. Hooray!

“And the last one is a joke-!”

It’s seriously impossible? As a man, I am truly excellent! But where can I show off the effects of this title!? Will there come an opportunity to activate it!? I want to go ask god personally-!

With this, the tsukkomis are over, right? There is only one thing I am curious about. That is……

“What are the numbers inside the parentheses that appear beside the status?”

I just don’t get it!? In the profession, for some reason inside the parenthesis is ‘Magic status’ and the others statuses are either 10 or 11. Just what are these numbers? There isn’t an explanatory kind of thing!?

“Ha~a…… Ha~a…… Ha~a……”

“Are you ok? Seiichi……”

I, in a state of breathing disjointedly, hear Saria’s caring voice.

Even if I scream violently, the problem won’t be solved. In fact, I will only scare the worried Saria.

“Ha~a…… fu~u. Un, I am fine already.”

When I calm down, I say so to Saria with a smile.

Then, Saria turns red in the face, turns away from me.

…… What’s with this reaction? What state is my face in!? Is it so bad that it turns your face red from holding in laughter? Or so good that it makes you blush? Just which one!?

While touching my own face, I can’t help but wonder what type of face did I get. Mu~u…… I want a mirror. Well, I will see it eventually. It’s not that important. Leaving that aside, what will happen from now on?

“Saria. What will you do next?”

“Eh?”

In response to my question, Saria looks towards me with a blank look on her face.

“I was thinking of leaving this forest……”

I have been feeling since long ago that I am missing the touch of human skin… Well, it’s not like I’ve touched someone as to miss the sense of their skin, though.

Without getting sad spontaneously, Saria makes a smiling face.

“I will follow Seiichi wherever he goes. Seiichi’s place….. Seiichi himself is my place to return!”

…… …… Truly, I have a woman following me. It’s a gorilla though.

“I see. Thank you.”

From my heart, a hot feeling blooms. Suddenly, a fanfare resounds in the cave that Saria and I are in.

“Wh-What!?”

“Do-Don’t know!”

Saria doesn’t know either and we go into full alert. I was prepared to defend against anything that comes to fight. Of course, Saria transformed into the gorilla nude shirt….. Even though I didn’t want to see it again, it can’t be helped. Un, it can’t be helped……!

Saria and I tense up. What the heck is happening – I try to grasp the situation.

Then, to us who are like that, suddenly a third party voice appears from somewhere.

“U ~ n. Wonderful!”

“!!”

Saria and I turn quickly to face the origin of the voice.

“Wa!?”

“Eh!?”

Then after confirming the possessor of the voice, we are surprised and our voices leak out.

“Oops, this is so impolite. Being called by a mysterious voice out of nowhere, being on alert is natural.”

Saying so, the owner of the voice gets closer. Saria and I were so surprised by the owner of the voice that we couldn’t say anything. But that can’t be helped because——

“I am the manager of the labyrinth (Dungeon), I am called Eduard Liu Zen Stain Vanheart Heibatosu. Because it is so long, please call me ‘Hitsuji-san’. It’s a pleasure……”

—- The owner of the voice, wearing a silk hat and a tailcoat… Was a sheep walking on two legs.

Chapter 17: Hitsuji-san

“Hitsuji……”

“-san?”

Saria and I were stunned by the sheep that suddenly appeared and introduced himself. By the way, Saria is already in her original state. Wait, seriously, from where did this guy appear?

“Yes, Hitsuji-san. This time, as the dungeon has been cleared, I appeared like this.”

This is bad, I don’t get it.

“Umm…… Then Hitsuji-san, why did you come?”

Because I didn’t understand the meaning from the sheep that had appeared in front of me, I asked him first.

Then, Hitsuji-san started explaining with his arms open. Why with open arms? Is there a meaning in that pose?

“Well… Before the explanation, let’s first talk about my existence.”

“Hitsuji-san’s?”

“Yes. I am one of this world’s many beings called managing administrator’s”

“That was what you told us at the beginning… Which means, Hitsuji-san made the dungeons?”

“It’s different.”

“Different?!”

I want to be forgiven for the unintentional tsukkomi.

“The dungeon is land with a great concentration of magic power and residual thought. It’s a tremendous power and the strong ones will come and challenge the trials of this place. I, who have been given life by the world, keep managing this dungeon.”

Top difficulty! I can’t follow the story!?

“Well, you would be troubled from hearing this story out of nowhere.”

“Yes…… It’s very troubling. Saria doesn’t understand either, right?”

“Eh? I understand?”

“What!?”

What part Saria, just what part of this cryptic explanation have you understood!? Is it just me!? Am I the weird one!? While I was surprised, Hitsuji-san continued his story.

“To make it short, my work is to not let monsters get out of the dungeon. While I am talking to you now, there are other me’s managing the dungeon.”

“There are a lot of Hitsuji-san’s?”

“Yes, of course. Besides, apart from managing the dungeon, we peek at the world from time to time.”

“Wh-why do such a thing?”

“Because I am bored.”

“Go to work!”

“Yada naa, I am working. See – even now, I am doing stuff!”

What the hell is this sheep?! ……Well, it’s true that even though he appeared in front of us, he still appears to be doing work tentatively…

“……Huh? But why were you so slow to appear before us? Well, weren’t you aware that I cleared the dungeon? Then couldn’t you appear quicker?”

“Looking at your evolution, I was laughing too much.”

“Fuck you!”

“I was shy.”

So said the sheep while touching the back of his head. I want to punch hi~iim…….!

“I am against violence. I, in order to manage the dungeon have special privileges, but my normal battle power is trash.”

“Don’t read my mind!”

This sheep is good at controlling the pace!? ……Well, I am easy to lead.

“But it is true that we are so free that we can keep playing around. Because there aren’t a lot of people that come to this dungeon. And unexpectedly, there isn’t a lot of work to do to prevent demons from getting out of the dungeon.”

“Eh? There aren’t people that come to the dungeon? That, what does it mean?”

Usually, isn't the daily life of adventurer-like people to try and clear the dungeon?

"Certainly, there are adventurers that try to clear the dungeon."

"I told you not to read my miiiind!"

"Ah, by the way, my hobby is to peek at the everyday life of people. Observing people's lives, makes me laugh so much."

"I, as a humble person, don't care!"

"No, no. I am a gentleman."

This sheep, it's wrong on so many levels!? As if there is a gentleman like this!

"Hitsuji-san, is so interesting!"

"No, no. It's not that much."

"Now you're modest!"

Since Saria is smiling, regarding Saria's smiling face, there is no choice but to forgive him here. More than that, Saria's smile is so cute. It warms my heart. I am being healed by Saria's smile.

“Then, to return to the story that we deviated from, which is your fault……”

“You deviated on your own!? It’s not my faauult!?”

This sheep is the one at fault for suddenly starting to speak about his hobby, no!? I, I am not the one at fault!

“We were speaking about the adventurers – they were trying to clear the dungeon?”

“Oh, ooh.”

“That isn’t wrong. Inside, there are a lot of humans disrupting the dungeon.”

“Eh? Then……”

“Listen to the story until the end. You can’t understand even that? That’s why monsters are……” (TL: Referring to the previous chapters status ‘Unnamed Monster’)

“You are a demon in sheep-skin! And don’t casually mutter about what people are minding!”

“Oops, sorry. Suddenly my real intentions……”

“I hate this guuuuuuuy!”

This bastard. He knows my job is unnamed monster and he said it as if it was unimportant! I will cry!?

“I am not interested in man tears.”

“Brute! Scum! Inhuman! I hate youuuuuuuu!!!”

“Wa wa wa! I am a sheep to begin with. So you aren’t exactly wrong.”

“Making fun of people……!”

Whatsmore, I didn’t mind it but isn’t he reading people’s minds a lot?! Furthemore, he seems to know that in my occupation column there is monster written……

“Again, because of you, we deviated from the conversation……”

“……”

Mou, I won’t tsukkomi again.

“…… Chi.”

“Don’t click your tongue so casually! Tte, ha!? ”

I made a tsukkomi without realising!? Just now, I decided that I wouldn't make a tsukkomi anymore!

Aaa…… -The satisfied face of the sheep in front of my eyes pisses me off *u*u*u*uuuuu!

"Leaving the jokes aside…… There were a lot of humans disrupting the dungeon, but that was to 'Reach the deepest part of the dungeon and defeat the dungeon boss', with that condition.

"Isn't that normal?"

"No? That's in a current dungeon."

…… Just what the hell is he trying to say, this sheep……

"The time when I appear before people…… That is the time I explain the true meaning of the dungeon."

"The true…… Meaning?"

The sheep started his explanation to Saria andn I, who tilted our necks .

"First of all, Let's explain in simple terms that there are the conditions for a dungeon appearing – before I told you that residual thoughts are involved, no?"

“Ah.”

“Residual thoughts are mainly the various strong feelings of people who have died at that place. Then, the dungeon emerges – a normal dungeon, that is. And just now you guys have achieved that – you have cleared the true meaning of the dungeon.”

“N? Nn?”

I don’t get it. No, rather than not getting, what to say…… It’s a feeling of something lurking.

“Well, there is no reason to think so deeply. To clear the dungeon in the true meaning, there is no-one that aims for it. But, if you are aiming to clear the true meaning of the dungeon, let me give you one piece of advice.”

“Advice?”

“Yes. In the dungeon that emerged due to the residual thoughts of people, the last boss is usually the owner that became a demon.”

“I understand…… This dungeon was from Zeanosu’s feelings?”

“That thinking is not wrong. But, if you want to clear the true meaning of the dungeon, then it’s best to clear the resentment left in the boss room. I will say it again, isn’t it impossible to aim for it? Don’t forget

that!”

Fuuun…… – That wasn’t in the other-world knowledge that God gave me…… Well, the knowledge we received was the bare minimum, after all.

“Then, this story has returned to the point where I appeared before you.”

That’s true. I forgot the first question. Why has this sheep appeared before us.

“The reason I appeared is because you have cleared this dungeons, [The Forest of Endless Love and Sorrow]’s, true meaning, I have come to give you your travel recompense.”

“Travel recompense?”

“Yes. If it’s cleared normally, then I won’t appear – the drop item from the dungeon boss and recovering items from treasure boxes is enough. But, as the true meaning has been cleared, I have to give another reward!”

“He~e….. Can that reward be gotten many times from the same dungeon?”

“Impossible. That’s because when the true meaning has been cleared, the dungeon will be destroyed.”

“Destroyed!?”

It was said so suddenly that I raised my voice unintentionally.

“Destroyed. As I said earlier, the defeat of the dungeon boss in the true meaning leads to the destruction of the dungeon in the true meaning of the words. Of course, no matter which dungeon boss it is, I don’t think they’d speak the real meaning. But, when the dungeon boss’ true meaning is defeated, the dungeon will lose its purpose. Whatsmore, the dungeon will be destroyed.”

“I, I see……”

“Meaning you can get the dungeon reward only once. Because two people are able to receive it, you may be proud? I’ll permit it. ”

“Why would we need your permission!?”

“Isn’t it obvious? Because I am a sheep!”

“Shit! The story is not advancing……!”

While ignoring me who is frustrated on my own, the sheep speaks while thinking.

“Un…… Originally, I was supposed to give you a predetermined thing but…… This dungeon being cleared is something I didn’t think of – So the reward isn’t decided. “

“Is that so?”

“Yes. Well, there are some things that are decided – why don’t I give you the last thing I thought of……”

“Well let’s hear it; the decided things are?”

“They are {A cultivation set of the ‘Seed of evolution’} or a {10 day travel set}.”

“Wha!?”

At the sheeps words, I let out my voice unintentionally. Eh? Is it possible to cultivate the ‘Shinka no Mi’!?

“Yes, of course.”

“If you have the booklet with the way to cultivate them, it’s possible to produce many ‘Shinka no Mi’. It’s 10 days worth of food, to prepare with the task of moving because of the collapse of this dungeon.”

“Th-that so……?”

After I answered so, I ask something that was troubling me.

“Huh? Speaking of this, you said the dungeon is collapsing – then what

will happen to the Clever Monkeys and this forest? If Hitsuji-san is not suppressing them, won't they attack humans?"

"Well that's not a problem. Even If I say the dungeon is collapsing, it's not like the land will be destroyed. It just means that the function as a dungeon is lost. That's why the ample forest will stay just like it is and to begin with, there are no towns or cities close to this dungeon."

"Eh? Wai…… Then what should we do from now on!?"

There is no close town!? Seriously!? I try to check easily with knowledge obtained from Zeanosu.

…… Yep, there is nothing. If we walk normally, it'll take a week to reach the closest one……

What's more, Zeanosu's knowledge is from 1500 years ago – I don't know how much it will be correct.

"I told you? That you should think of provisions for the travel. Of course, water too. There is a tent so with this, the travel will be easy."

"…… Thanks."

"No no. After receiving the reward from me, I thought it would be useful to the people that will travel outside the forest."

"It's a lie!"

To think so much in advance, I don't think so. After all, this guy has a terrible personality!

"Well, the two sets I am giving now, I will add another one……. 3 sets if you decide now. Then, what will you decide……? "

Saying so, the sheep observes me and Saria lightly.

"Well. For the time being, let's include underwear and clothes for Saria ojousama" When he said this, the sheep clapped his hands.

Then, from a space where nothing was, suddenly a lot of clothes and underwear appeared.

"Regarding Saria ojousama's clothes, I gave them the power to change sizes. I decided that this ability is the most important in the clothes."

"Hitsuji-san, Good Job!" (TL: Said in English) (ED: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_XX-QV-bXRc Just watch it)

I am sorry, Hitsuji-san. I didn't understand you. Yes, I was troubled by the loss of Saria's clothes……! With this, when we've made it to the city we won't trouble the soldier-san's!

Then, even thinking about the size of the clothes….. A capable sheep!

"Then Saria ojousama, change please. Let's get ready here."

When Hitsuji-san clapped again, what looks to be a curtain has emerged between me and Saria.

“Thank you, Hitsuji-san!”

Behind the curtain, I heard Saria’s happy voice.

“Now, while Saria osoujama is changing to the clothes and underwear I gave her, I will leave the rest of the clothes with you.”

Saying so, Hitsuji-san passed me the rest of Saria’s clothes.

……Certainly, it’s true that I got the item box? But, holding onto women’s clothes, won’t I be treated as a hentai?

Well, If I’m not found out then it’s not a crime? Go with this positive mentality?

“Even if it’s not found it’s a crime, Seiichi-sama.”

“……Don’t joke with me”

Good kids don’t imitate me! My important way of life!

“More importantly than that….. What should we do about your reward?”

“It’s that difficult?”

“Yes, a lot. If it was when you just reached this dungeon, then giving a reward was easy – I was planning on giving you a strong aphrodisiac that would make you popular.”

“That sounds so suspicious!? But I want it!”

“But the current you doesn’t need it. Even if I gave it to you, it’d be useless.”

“……”

Why say it so flatly? Did my face get better that I don’t need the popularity drug anymore, or on the other hand, it became so bad that it wouldn’t be effective.

“But it’s fine. Popularity drug – I want to experience at least once what it’s like to be popular!”

I lost weight. I feel like I became taller. But, until now, I haven’t confirmed my face…… I am so curious.

“And the equipment – all the weapons are a huge cheat……”

There is no words to return. I’m surprised that he knew the word cheat.

“What about armour?”

“Armour?”

Yes, armour. The proof of a magician is that jet-black robe, and the knights equipment is full-face armour.”

“True, I have a lot of accessories and weapons, but I don’t have armour……”

“See? That’s why, I just thought of the perfect armour for you.”

“Oh? What is that?”

“Balaclava.”

“Disappointing!”

A balaclava… The thing that bank robbers use to hide their face in manga or movies!?

“It is no good?”

“Obviously it’s no good! Try entering a town with that thing! Soldier-san’s will come flying!?”

“Seeing that will be so fun -desu ne.”

“Grrr, die already!”

I retract everything! This guy is a lost cause!”

“Then what about a full face helmet?”

“I am the headless rider!? Or is it that? Kamen teacher!?” (TL: Durarara reference. I seriously don’t know who this kamen teacher is.) (ED: Simple ← that guy.)

….. Kamen teacher is slightly wrong.

“Both wrong. I thought that using a simple full-faced helmet would be fun. Oops, that now was a secret.”

“Hide your real intentions! Wait, do you know the headless rider!?”

“Yes, of course.”

Yada, this sheep is scary.

“More importantly, why are all the items following this pattern – can’t you recommend another thing!? What’s more, all are items made to make it difficult to see other people! I don’t matter!?”

“No this is seriously thinking about Seiichi-sama’s future.”

"The future?"

"Yes. Seiichi-sama's current appearance – it's the skill that you received this time 'Disguises' fault, as the charm became 10. It's not a very attractive number, a status of 10. Let's be clear, it's shit."

"Ah, the parenthesis beside the unbelievable status, the effect of 'Disguise' is that it hides the true status and shows that to the enemies. That's horrible."

"…… Hey, why do you know that I got the skill [Disguise]? You knew that I got the stat of 10 in charm, too. "

"Because I am a sheep."

Grrr, I won't make a tsukkomi.

"Anyway, desu ne, when [Disguise] is activated, except for people like me that trust Seiichi-sama, people will see [Disguise]'s numerical value. In other words, a charm of 10, is quite the terrible appearance you will have."

Before when I boasted a status of all 1's it was worse! Cry!

"So that Seiichi-sama wouldn't fall into trouble, I recommended an equipment that will hide the whole face."

“No, there is no need to do such a troublesome thing – I just have to stop using [Disguise] …”

Ah, it’s possible that using [Disguise] will make your face worse…… I still couldn’t confirm my face, though.”

“Naive desu ne.”

“Eh?”

When I was thinking such a thing, I had a stupid voice in protest.

“Deactivating [Disguise] means letting the whole world know your true ability? Do you understand what this means?”

“No, not a bit……”

“In short, you could get mixed up in the stupid conflict between countries, get treated as a monster and situations that will lead to the death of people close to you are possible.”

“I don’t want that……”

Putting aside Saria, what about Shouta and co that came to this world.

Looking at my appearance that completely changed, I wonder what they would think? I who has a monster class status. It’s possible I’d scare

them. That……. I don't want to think about it.

"Well, being frank, the main reason is I think it's fun."

"I won't believe in you again!"

What the hell!? Even though there was a serious atmosphere!

"But it's true that it will cause trouble."

"No, I don't want a balaclava. I don't want a full face helmet. If I put them on, I'll look like a hentai."

"What are you saying? Aren't you one?"

"Shut up!"

This sheep is too sly……!

"It can't be helped desu ne. Then is a full face helmet fine? "

"Nee, it can't be helped? Can you tell me the details!?"

"Of course, it won't only be a full face helmet. It will have a special power installed."

“For example?”

“Even if a dragon stomps on it, I am confident there won’t be a scratch, not even a little.”

“That’s not a helmet!”

“No matter how scorching the earth or in the extreme cold, in the helmet will be a comfortable space.”

“Only the face!? If I went to such a hell like place, can’t you do something about the body!?”

“The last function, when it’s the time to eat, the mouth-part will open.”

“Last function! Is there another feature!?”

“It’s decided desu ne. Let’s go with the full face helmet.”

“Listen to me~e~e~e~e~e~e~eeeeeeeeeeee!”

Why is it decided!? No one said it was okay!?

But the sheep ignored me and pulled a black full face helmet out of nowhere.

“Yes, please.”

“I am telling you I don’t need it!?”

“There is no reason to hold back. I don’t need it.”

“Then I do not need it even more!”

To the me that desperately rejecting, the sheep suddenly tossed it in the air and hit it with one hand.

When I was stunned by the sudden action, something was put on my face.

“Wait! When did?!”

I confirm with my hands – what I am wearing now is a full face helmet.

“This is also a sheep’s accomplishment.”

“What is a sheep’s!?”

I tried desperately to take it off, but it didn’t budge.

“Eh, I can’t take it off though.”

“Yes. It’s made that way.”

“Get it o~o~o~o~o~o~o~ooooooof!”

“Hahahaha, if the situation arises.”

That’s a line that should never be said!? It has the same credibility as ‘From tomorrow onwards, I will go all out”!

“Be at ease. You can’t take it off when I’m close. When I’m not present, a trusted person can take it off. Conversely speaking, if there are only strangers close then it’s impossible to remove.”

“Useless high-spec!?”

Does the helmet judge a trustworthy person!? Shocking!

“Ah, then Saria will be okay, no?”

“Yes, that’s true.”

“Then when we are separated from you, I can take it off immediately!”

I am so smart!

“Ah, that helmet, if an untrustworthy stranger is close it will be worn automatically. Avoiding it is impossible.”

“Shiiit! This is not high-spec anymoreeeee, it’s a curse! Fuuuuuuuck! “

“Human, it’s essential to know when to give up, Monster-san.”

“Don’t follow up with a contradictory teeeerm!”

“When some time passes it’ll come off. Then, couldn’t you do it by force?”

Grrr, I hate this guy. What by force? Wasn’t it impossible for even a dragon to do it? I am not confident.

When I was having this exchange with the sheep, I felt I only had 1 HP left. Saria finished changing and her face peeked from behind the curtain.

“Oya, Saria ojousama. Are you already finished changing?”

“Un, I finished!”

“I see. But……”

The sheep once again hits his hand together, and like a little while ago, the curtain between Saria and me was gone in an instant.

When the curtain was removed, the one that appeared was Saria wearing a pure white one-piece dress.

“Seiichi…… How is it? It fits me?”

“Eh? A, yes……”

I was not able to answer the words of Saria.

Right now, the clothes match the current Saria.

The crimson hair shines as well because of her pure white one-piece dress.

“Ehehehe. I am so happy!”

“……”

It’s dangerous – Saria is so cute……. Sorry for cursing you.

“True desu ne. So disgusting……”

“Ne~e, how about you choose your words better!?

This sheep is too merciless…… When it comes to reading my mind, I gave up on tsukkomis to it. I am tired.

“Then, I’ll give you the things that were supposed to be given. It’s time

for you to go.”

“Yes, I am forced though.”

“Then let’s proceed with the transition.”

“Are you not gonna hear me until the very end!?”

Even though I said so, the sheep is absolutely not hearing me out and ignoring my words, he started the transition.

“Well, if you have a complaint when we meet again, at that time, I will hear you out.”

“Didn’t you say it’s impossible to clear the real meaning!? Furthermore, I don’t want to see you agaiiin!”

“It’s fine. I understand your feelings. You like me, no?”

“Let me hit you!”

“Oops, the transition has begun.”

“Wha!? Wai—-”

Because of the last words from the sheep, I couldn’t hit him and just like that the transition started.

That's because, suddenly particles of light were appearing from my body and it was disappearing.

When my body was about to disappear completely, I shouted in the end.

"Bastaaaaard…… When we meet again, remember iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiit!"

"Hitsuji-san, see you~!"

"Yes, goodbye."

Then, to both Saria's and my surprise, we were transported outside of the [Forest Of Endless Love and Sorrow]. Are the last lines bad?…… I am the one that know's it best!

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"They went……"

I, Hitsuji-san, who was seeing the two get transferred, say so.

"But…… 'Bastaaaard….. When we meet again, remember iiiiiiiiit!"

Saying the last words of Seiichi-sama again, a smile appeared involuntary.

“Next time…… Seiichi-sama has the intention to meet me again.”

Even though he said it that complicatedly…..

But these words, to me who hasn’t had a conversation with people for many years, made me very happy.

“Fufu, but. [Bastard]….. I am not, I am a sheep.”

Didn’t I tell you? It’s no good. To think about me, who should normally be someone that you don’t get involved with.

“Well, this dungeon is collapsing soon…… I will wait until a new dungeon could be made.”

And then—-

“I will be waiting, ey? Seiichi-sama.”

Chapter 18 Slime

`This is..... the outside'

Hitsuji, transported Saria and I outside of the forest that we have been living in.

The scene that laid before my eyes was a meadow that extended endlessly. The grass was about as tall as my ankle.

For some reason I turned around to see [The forest of endless love and sorrow] behind me. Now that I think about it, I spent a long time living in this forest.....

The place I trained physically and mentally. .....though it's also the place where I took a lap around to become human again.

A lot of things happened; It's the place where I met Saria, and it's the place where I found the happiness of living..... While I was looking at the forest with profound feelings, Saria came to my side.

"I, this is the first time I've gone outside....."

Turning to glance at Saria, she closes her eyes, she seemed to feel something.

It's a place full of memories for Saria as well. It was a place she could call home. Both of us have strong feelings about this forest. We stayed silent for a while, until I said to Saria. "Well..... let's get going already"

"un!"

In response to Saria's answer, we began to move with the forest at our backs.

My slippers became useless a while ago, so I walk in the grass barefooted.

When I was in the forest, the ground was rugged so there was no place for the grass.

Because of that, the grass hitting my feet felt weird, and made me show an involuntary smirk.

"What's wrong?"

At such a me, Saria asked interestedly.

"Iya, nothing at all"

I answered, so let's think about the future.

Our top priority, was to first go to the closest town according to Zeanosu's memory.

When we reach the town, I think I will register as an adventurer.

Not only was it in Zeanosu's knowledge, but even in the knowledge that I received from God, it was written that an adventurer profession exists.

After that, it would be about my power.

According to Hitsuji's talk, my stats that will be shown to others will be the "Disguise" ones. He better not be lying.

That's why I am currently wearing the full face helmet…….

Un, it's in the way. I want to destroy it with all my might.

First of all, a full face helmet…… bringing it into a fantasy is no good.

Well, he said it will come off with time……. That is if Hitsuji was not lying.

What's more, if my appearance is affected by disguise, then is my strength reduced?

This, needs to be investigated, otherwise it could become very troublesome. (TL note: am I the openly one that thinks the sheep was trolling him? There is no way a Skill make you weaker)

I have been thinking since way back, but in the end there is nothing that I can do now, I leave the thought aside, and I walk in the prairie together with Saria.

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It happened a while after we started.

Saria and I, met with a well know organism.

That was ————

`Thi, this guy……'

`So cute!'

`Pururun'

———— it was a slime.

Iya, this is weird, no? The slime in front of my eyes, said "pururun" on his own?

Is it a different fantasy creature similar to a slime?

But, the organism in front of my eyes, is a semi-transparent gel, that's splashing with a Fuyonfuyon sound in the prairie.

But, it doesn't have a mouth. Un, I knew the "pururun" was my imagination.

"Pururun"

"It wasn't my imagination!"

Where did the voice come out from!? The slimes in this world, can they all say "Pururun"?

…… Iya, it's not decided that it is a slime. It can be a different creature!

Fortunately for me there is the skill, “Advanced Appraisal”. Lets use it right now.....

So I decided, to the slime standing going Fuyonfuyon in front of my eyes, I invoked the skill of “Advanced Appraisal”.

“Slime Lv: 88” (TL note: How unexpected....)

“What a high level!”

And it really was a slime!

Wait, were slimes supposed to have such a high level!?

Certainly compared to the Clever monkey, Aqua world and Zeanosu it is really low.

But..... but a level 88 slime is weird no!?

While I was surprised about the slime’s level, suddenly the slime body started to shrink.

“Wh, what?”

Suddenly it stopped, and the slime suddenly jumped, crashing into me.

“U ~ei!?”

Although I raised a strange voice from the sudden assault, thanks to the

unique skill “Shingan” (mind’s eye), the slime’s movement appeared really slow, it was possible to avoid it with ease.

“To suddenly attack……”

Well the slime is a monster after all, there was no guarantee that an attack wouldn’t come…….

While I was thinking without a care, I remembered. That was, to see if the effect of disguise made me weaker. To confirm that, I am glad to have the slime in front of my eyes.

“Yo ~osh…… lets test it a bit with this slime”

Saying so, I pulled out the “Sword of revolving hate (Black)” and “sword of overflowing compassion (White)” from my waist, taking a stance.

Using this slime, I can confirm my strength.

It was fine to use a skill to attack, but a normal physical attack is easier to confirm.

As I thought that, before the slime decided to attack me again, I attacked it first.

“Ha!”

As I charged at the slime, my impression was————

“Wa, fast!”

That was the only word for it.

I planned to run to the slime, but I moved before the slime right away.

Moreover, the moment when I ran, the ground where I stood a little while ago was completely destroyed.

It puzzled me, but I decided to attack the slime that was in front of me, and swung down the Black that I was holding in my right hand.

Zupan!

"....."

Along with the tremendous impact sound, scattered in front of my eyes were drop items. (TL: RIMURUUUUUUUUU!!!!!)

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"Eh?"

Without knowing the reason, I involuntary released an idiotic voice.

From where the slime was until a while ago, up to about 50m ahead the ground had been gouged out.

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" …… I don't want to see reality……!"

I am starting to understand reality, but the more I began to understand it, the more I want to forget what I did with my own hands.

In other words, the slime was blown away with one attack from me.

True, I swung down Black suddenly at the slime. But, it's not like I did it seriously. I did it with a feeling that it "would be good" if I did some damage.

"And the result is this!"

Un, I did have a bad feeling since the moment I started running! But it surpassed my expectations! This power is weird!

This is not the power limited by disguise!? It became a situation where only the numbers were disguised!

If I was to attack seriously what will happen!? That was only a small part of that power you know?…… I can't imagine it. When I hold my head, despairing at my own power, Saria says with shining eyes.

"Seiichi amazing! The creature a while ago was cute though……"

Un, sorry! I didn't want to kill you!

I wanted to test a bit of power, and run away just like that! It's not a lie!

I got a guilty conscience from Saria's slightly sad expression as she approached. Truly, I am so sorry…….

I am tired in a lot of different ways, suddenly from the slime's drop items, a light sphere appeared, and entered inside me.

"Wh, what!?"

I let out a voice involuntary, somehow I start to recall various things.

Most likely, the slime status entered inside me. Why it didn't become the usual sphere? I don't get why it suddenly entered my body……

Sure enough, the light of the sphere that entered into my body seemed to be the slime's status, the familiar voice sounded in my brain.

"U n…… well it is fine!" (TL note: no is not! If I was him I was going to be a bit scared! How can he forget about evolutions? No trauma of so much pain?)

It can't be helped that I killed it, let's confirm the drop items.

"First of all the skill cards"

Saying so, I pick up the skill cards.

[Skill Card ≪ absorption ≫]…… Skill "absorption" can be learned.

[Skill Card ≪ compression ≫]…… Skill "compression" can be learned.

"U, un……?"

I look at the skill card from the slime that is in my hands, I was not able to react properly.

Because, I didn't know whether it was amazing or not.

Well, it was a slime after all, the effect would be common.

While I was nodding casually, the skill card becomes a sphere of light, and went into my body.

“The skill« absorption » has been learned. The skill «compression» has been learned”

While paying little attention to those words echoing in my head, I confirm the effects.

“Absorption” …… absorbs all things, it can be converted in own power. Things eaten, can become power without being digested. If invoked when receiving damage, it can be absorbed as one’s own power without receiving damage.

“Compression” …… it is possible to compress everything. Such as its own body and power, basically it can compress anything. However, it is necessary to touch the things that you want to compress.

“Amaaazing cheat!”

This will make me even stronger than now! What should I aim to do!?

What’s more, the skill “absorption” …… if I use it with my mind eye, isn’t it the strongest combo!? It’s amazing in various ways!

“Ha~a…… I am scared of these hands that hold such cheats……”

Aren’t people usually glad to have cheats in their hands? Why do I feel empty? Is it just me? Am I weird?

On a side note, to me the race known as human, I felt like I am moving further and further away from it…….

While releasing a sigh of resignation, I check the next drop items.

Then, the new thing that I picked up, a semi-transparent object that I don't know, feels purupuru like. It felt quite good.

Since I didn't understand how to use it, I activate "Advanced Appraisal".

"Slime jelly" …… pieces of slime that feels good. No particular use. It can be eaten once.

"Slime body is shit!"

The skill was so amazing! Why is the body drop item this useless shit!? This…… Is there no use other than to eat it? It's a tremendous pain……. But, there is no way that the appraisal result was wrong, it can't be helped. While releasing a sigh, I tossed the slime jelly in to the item box.

"Then, next?"

The thing that I picked up next was, a treasure chest.

"So small…… ma, it won't contain anything big"

While I thought so, I opened the treasure box. Inside, was a bag that probably contained gold, and Shoes.

"Shoes eh……"

What can I say, it's not an equipment that I wasn't aiming for, but it's perfect since I am barefooted.

When I take it out, it was a simple design with an emphasis on functionality and a beautiful blue color. I don't know what it is made of. It's equipment that came from the slime after all. I don't have high expectations.

Lets appraise it, to confirm the effect.

"Ao (Blue) shoes" …… rare class equipment. It will raise the wearer's agility a little bit. Up to 3 steps, it is possible to walk through the air. Changes size to fit the wearer.

"It's quite awesome!"

It's subtle, but it's surprisingly amazing! My agility is strengthened a little? ….I wonder what will happen.

And, I don't know why 3 steps, but it can move through the air. This, isn't it quite amazing?

Getting shoes is fine …… but, to wear it, I need to clean my feet and wear socks. Mā, it doesn't matter. More important than that, I give it to Saria to wear it.

"Saria, won't you wear this?'

"Eh? Is it fine?"

"Ou. I am fine even without shoes"

More than that, I feel guilty about having a girl walk barefooted.

“I see……then I will take it!”

Saria with a cheerful voice, takes the shoes. Saria nervous from wearing shoes for the first time, puts the shoes on carefully.

“How…… is it?”

After she finishes putting on the shoes, Saria raises the one-piece skirt by the hem while a little embarrassed, to show me the shoes.

Her white, fair skin fits so well with the blue shoes, I am surprised at how well it looks on Saria.

“It fits you soooo well”

It wasn’t a lie at all. The deep crimson hair, with the white of the dress and blue color of the shoes. Even though it is simple, it looks very fashionable.

“Ehehehe Thank you …!”

Saria putting on a big smile like flowers blooming, I felt my cheeks become hot.

…… Uwaaa, I absolutely have a bright red face….

Though I am unwilling, I am thankful to this full-face helmet just this

one time.

Seriously there is a big gap from the gorilla……. Saria aside, I wonder if I am weird for thinking that a gorilla was cute? As expected, of the man with a gorilla as a wife! “Ohhon…… well, let’s finish with the gold”

I say so, while taking out of the bag that I believed to contain gold, and confirmed the contents.

As expected, 50 silver coins are inside.

“Hmm …… in monetary sense …… it may be a huge amount”

50 Silver coins is a huge amount. From a slime that is.

But, because the amount received after defeating the clever monkey and co, was more, I don’t have a feeling of amazingness.

This, could be a dangerous problem…….

However, I can do nothing now. I wonder if I will regain the value of money after arriving at the town……

When letting out an unusually large sigh, an unexpected fanfare rang in my head.

“Now what!?”

Saria who didn’t hear it as expected, tilted her head curiously to me that cried so.

When I was trying to understand the meaning of the fanfare, a familiar voice echoes in my head.

[Level-up]

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“Eh?”

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To the me who have forgotten the natural thing called a level up, I could not understand the meaning of the voice in my head for a little while.

Because it has been Evolution thus far, I have simply forgotten the concept of leveling up…

But, now that I heard the voice saying Level Up! in my head, I guess my level has increased?

Rather than that, I cannot help but feel that the words Level Up has a disturbing feel to it?

First of all. I called up my status hastily to confirm what has become of it.

<<Hiiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Human (Human)

Gender: Male (M)

Occupation: Unnamed Monster (Magic Swordsman)

Age: 17 (17)

Level: 2 (2)

Magic: 216,030 (21)

Attack: 218,090 (21)

Defense: 213,270 (21)

Agility: 220,270 (21)

Magic Attack: 215,580 (21)

Magic Defense: 216,680 (21)

Luck: 209,040 (20)

Charm: Doki doki heart breaking (20)

<<Equipment>>

Fine quality Shirt. Fine quality trousers. Fine quality underclothes. Fine quality briefs. Chain of clever monkey. Dagger of the water spirits. Bracelets of night. Choker of Black King Stone. Necklace of the love without ends. Sword of swirling hatred. Sword of overflowing affection.

<<Unique Skills>>

Instant Memory. Perfect Memory. Instant learning. Instant recovery. Complete dismantling. Mind's eye.

<<Skills>>

[Attack] Kiashi(Leg Chop). Shokiba(Twin Fang Attack). Tsuoyshitsume(Metal claw).

[Resistance] Paralysis resistance. Sleep resistance. Confusion resistance. Charm resistance. Petrification resistance. Inhibition resistance. Poison resistance. Fatigue resistance.

[Movement] Setsuna.

[Special] Advanced appraisal. Super compounding. Tool making: Super first rate. Search. Disguise. Assimilation. Clairvoyance. Absorption. Compression.

<<Magic>>

Life magic. Water attribute magic: extreme. Dark attribute magic: extreme.

<<Secrets>>

Gale. Flash. Clouds and fog.

<<Martial arts>>

Zefodo style of protection swordsmanship: Founder.

<<Title>>

Foul smelling player. The man married to a gorilla. Apex of the top. Self-restraint less. Male king.

<<Gold>>

1,000,500,000G

“I’m an idiot!”

I collapsed on the spot.

It’s useless…No self-restrain?

The level only went up by one, but 100,000 was added to the status? Nee, why?

Leaving that aside, I defeated a level 87 high slime, so why did my level

only raise by 1.

Maa…if my level went up in an instant, I would suffer heavy mental damage now.

Un, I am strange, I am relieved that my level only went up by 1. Are? Why is there sweat coming from my eyes…

I'm…really human? I'll definitely not quit being human right?

"What is this, I'm…"

When I was quietly muttering so, Saria squats down next to me.

"Cheer up, Seiichi"

"Un…"

Perhaps Saria did not understand what had happened to have made me feel down, but I am happy she gave such gentle words. I love you very much.

I psyched myself up and stood up.

"There is nothing to be done to things that have already happened. Let's pull ourselves together and depart!"

“Un!”

In response to Saria’s word, we continued advancing as it is.

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“Ei”

ZUPAN!

5 days have passed since I defeated my first slime.

During these 5 days, I wasn’t attacked by thieves in particular and neither did the “Mufufu” development happen between me and Saria.

I was only forced to attack when a slime swooped down on us…maa, my level is also rising.

Oh, I came to understand that the main nourishment that the slimes eat is something called [Life of Slime].

Although there were many small events, but now the slimes at places where I had been attacked have all vanished. Eventually it’s the same thing in the end.

I threw the scattered drops into the item box.

After doing so, I muttered in a small voice.

“Futile”

The slime that appeared died instantly. It no longer works anymore.

A voice sounded in my head again while my eyes were gazing into the distance. Very unpleasant.

“Level has increased. Skill [Disguise] has reached maximum proficiency level. In effect, it has transformed to [True Disguise]. Skill [Search] effectiveness has increased from the radius of 10m to 500m.

“What am I supposed to do!?”

The level has risen! But, I defeated 107 slimes, including the one just now, in these past 5 days. But even so, my level have only just rose to 10 now.

Although the level of the slimes decreased as I gradually approached town, leveling is slow.

But to me, this is very much welcomed.

Why? If you would just look at my status, it’s a simple thing.

<<Hiiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Human(Human)

Gender: Male(Male)

Occupation: Unnamed Monster(Magic Swordsman)

Age: 17(17)

Level: 10(10)

Magic: 1,016,030(50)

Attack: 1,018,090(50)

Defense: 1,013,270(50)

Agility: 1,020,270(50)

Magic Attack: 1,015,580(50)

Magic Defense: 1,016,680(50)

Luck: 1,009,040(50)

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<Gold>

1,002,378,000G

“Mou, I don’t want this anymoreeeeee!”

Why?!All my status is beyond 1 million?! This is not the status of a level

10 is it?! Or rather, this is not a human's status?!

I'm afraid if I'm really even a human anymore! Help!"

"What is this?! True Disguise? Explain!"

As I cried out, a semi-transparent board is suddenly displayed in front of me as if it had been prepared beforehand.

"Uo?!…What is this?"

Perplexed at the thing which appeared without warning, I read the content displayed.

[True Disguise]…One of the effect of [Disguise] Skill. Unlike the effect to disguise appearance so far, atmosphere can also be disguised. Numeric value displayed in the status can also be disguised, real ability can be disguised. It also becomes possible to control the strength. However, the disguise of appearance would be released.

"…What does this mean?"

Eh, what? In other words, not only can I disguise the status that other's see, I can also disguise my atmosphere to that of a strong person like in the manga?

And, the control of strength…Slime, ZUPAN! Is it good with this? It did not vanish?

……

“Yesssssssssss!”

I unconsciously did a gut pose.

With this…with this! I do not have to deal with being treated like a monster by others!

From now on, I am a human being that is pleased to having my power suppressed! Normal thinking would want to wield this power at its fullest……

Un, when your status flew to such a great height, it’s just unpleasant.

“Wait, effect of [Search] skill…has also risen?”

I went from 10m to 500m instantly. Damn.

Well, search is different from offensive skills, I don’t have to be careful with using it. Moreover, search skill’s effectiveness rising is definitely a positive thing.

As I was alternating between joy and sorrow by myself, Saria came running up to me.

“Saria! I did it, I…can finally deceive others that I’m a human being!”

“?I don’t know what you mean…but good job!”

Saria answered me with a light smile, and my heart lightened.

However, although I can [Deceive] that I am human, I cannot [Show] that I am human.

But, this much is enough for me for now. Any more than this, I would take damage to my spirit

After getting excited with Saria over this and that, suddenly Saria stared at the top of my head with a face full of surprise.

“What is it?”

“Seiichi, headgear…”

“Headgear…helmet?”

I tilted my head in puzzlement at the word of Saria.

What’s wrong with my helmet?

Then, Saria told me of the current state of the helmet.

“Sh, it’s shining……”

“Eh, it shines…..wa?”

I return such words instinctively.

Iya…shining helmet? I don’t understand. What’s with this situation?

However, Saria is right now really looking at my helmet, surprised.

Only Saria was in the vicinity and I thought to take off my helmet so that I can take a look.

“……”

I'll say the conclusion.

"It's shining……!"

Eh, what is this?! What kind of situation is this?! This is incomprehensible?!

Moreover, it's the kind of soft and gentle light which does no harm to the eyes whatsoever————

PIKAAAAAAAAAAA!

"Eyes, my eyesssssssssssssssssss?!"

Saria and I covered our eyes and writhed in agony.

At that instant, I let go of the helmet and I fell off my hands onto the ground.

Oi, don't release strong light at the moment I'm feeling relieved!

Before that, it might have damaged the eyes?! This is the time of Evolution! Is it popular to be shining?!

Though we were unable to open our eyes for a while, as time passes, our visibility recovered.

“Flickering…”

“Uuu……”

While frowning from the pain that has yet to pass, a funny thing jumped into my sight.

“…What’s that?”

The thing that was in the field of vision was a strange robe.

Moreover, if I think well about it, the position of the robe is the position at where the helmet which fell out of my hands landed on.

I approached the robe and picked it up.

“… it’s a robe”

I picked up the robe which was completely black without a single hint of embroidery.

“Iyaiyaiyaiya, where did the helmet disappear to?”

While unfolding the robe and while looking for the helmet, something that seemed like white paper fell out from the robe.

“Seiichi, something fell?”

Saria picked up the fallen paper and passed it to me.

“What the heck is this?”

The opening the paper passed to me, written on the paper was content like a letter.

[Hi, I’m sheep-san]

“It’s you?!”

I retorted with all my strength to the letter.

“Oi, this letter is from the sheep?!”

I don’t understand, but I decided I shall continue reading for the time being.

[First, congratulation on the Level Up. You are steadily getting further and further away from being human.]

“Leave me alone!”

Wait, why do you know I Leveled up?!

[Now then, I think you are confused because the helmet shined suddenly. Therefore, please try to remember. I have explained that at some point the helmet would come off. The helmet has converted to the robe, and that is reality. In other words, this light emission shows that the helmet has [Evolve] into a new stage.]

"What is a new stage?!"

So the helmet evolved? I have no idea where am I retorting to!

[So, the conditions for the evolution of the helmet is that Seiichi have to raise his level and skill [Disguise] to a certain definite numerical value. When the level rose, I became aware that the effect of disguise have changed.]

I see…therefore, you know that I had Leveled Up.

[Because the disguise effect have changed, it is no longer necessary to cover Seiichi's appearance with a helmet anymore as he can return to his original figure.]

"I think that's not necessary in the first place."

Half of the time the sheep is wasting time no? I'm tired of this.

[It is fine to return to the original form, but a problem would arise. Therefore, I have prepared a robe that would not particularly attract

attention in this world. Also because a robe is the proof of a wizard, it is possible to receive favors from solider-sans.]

I see. If it's fantasy then it's a robe isn't it…it's certainly more credible then a helmet.

[It is possible to conceal the appearance, but the effect isn't given to the robe in particular. As for that, I hope you can completely understand that.]

Oi. It's not an evolution if no effects have been granted, it's more of a degeneration. Maa, the robe is certainly more pleasant to the eyes…

Wait…

"The condition is out of order, this sheep"

What did you say…I am being polite, baka.

Besides, there's a gentle feeling. Why is that?

[Because half of the sheep is made of gentleness]

"Are?! This is a letter isn't it?!"

A letter is retorting to what I am thinking of?! This is a surprise!

[Maa, there is many things which leads to many things but with the evolved robe, I pray for your safety By lovely Sheep.]

"It's useless, I can't follow…!"

What is lovely sheep? Disgusting!

"Nee, what's the content about?"

Seeing me standing with goosebumps while reading the sheep's letter, Saria ask in wonder.

"Well…something like, the helmet has evolved into a robe, work hard in various ways."

"…what do you mean?"

Un, even I myself did not understand what I just said.

"Well anyway! Let's set out for the city once more!"

I immediately donned the robe and put up the hood.

"Seiichi, cool!"

"Thank you!"

What's with this? Before this, Saria always say that I'm cool no matter what I do. Though I would think Saria is cute no matter what she does too…..unless she changes to a gorilla while wearing clothes.

With such, we once again set out for the capital.

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"O!"

"It's a town. A town is visible!"

After a day has passed since the helmet has changed into the robe, we had travelled to a position which is a distance away from where a big town is visible.

"So the knowledge of Zeanosu was correct after all?"

Honestly, I was suspicious about the knowledge acquired from Zeanosu. After all, it's information dating 1,500 years back. It wouldn't usually be reliable.

However, it seems to have ended as imaginary fears. We have safely arrived at this place where a town is visible.

"However…it's amazing."

“Hm? What is it?”

“Iya…I came here with the help of Zeanosu’s knowledge.”

“Un, come to think of it, it is so.”

“And it’s that…though the knowledge of Zeanosu is 1,500 years old, it’s great that a town still exist here in the same location…”

The town name might have changed or it might be the territory of other countries, but I’m impressed by the fact that people lives this way even now on the same lane.

“Is that so…Seiichi is a human. We demons particularly likes to live in comfortable and cozy places.”

Saria said so while smiling wryly.

“In truth they move around searching for feeding ground, struggling to stay or be chased away by monsters stronger, but I think it was good to have remained.”

“Heee”

“Certainly, there were many dangers, I have fought monsters many times, and also ran away too? But, other than that, living in that place was comfortable…”

As expected, that forest is a place of various memories for Saria.

“If so, is it really good? To be with me…”

To be leaving a place of comfort, would following me make her feel uneasy.

But Saria erased such a thought from my mind in an instant.

“Unn. Didn’t I tell you? My place is where Seiichi is! Besides, the reason why I stayed in that place and thought it was good was because I met Seiichi.”

“……”

Ugh embarrassing. Damn, it really is.

Saria, who said such an embarrassing speech unabashedly, floated a smile across her entire face.

Uwa…to speak so fondly of one’s loved one, I…

I give my thanks to the helmet which changed to a robe as my face is hidden. My face has absolutely flushed bright red.

“We, we well then, let’s, let’s go!”

“Un!”

Although my voice was nervous, Saria pay no heed to it and gave an especially spirited nod.

While traveling the last stretch of distance to the town, there wasn’t any particular demon attack or any template development of thieves appearing, and thus we arrived at the gate of the town.

“It’s big!”

“Un, it’s big!”

And Saria and I arrived before the gate, it involuntarily spilled out from the mouth.

Perhaps the town is encircled with city walls, and the gate is thick and heavy boasting 10m in size.

How is such a large gate constructed? In the first place, is there such a large gate?

Maa, there must be some reasons for it.

“Well then…what should I do now?”

I looked around the vicinity while saying so.

Thereupon, I saw a person like a gatekeeper stand at the gate and the people passing the gate gives something to the guard one by one.

“Is that…an inspection?”

“Is that not so?”

Saria also seemed to have thought about it in the same way. Wait, you know what an inspection is. You are a demon right?

My though processes lapsed to such a thought at that time.

…this is bad.

I have complete forgotten one matter without noticing it until now.

That’s————

“Saria, what’s your race?”

this.

This is bad isn’t it?! Inspection would surely inspect the status no?!

Fortunately for me I have [Disguise] skill to disguise my status…!

Wait, I wonder if there is some sort of identification now. Or is there some guild which issues this sort of stuff?

“Leaving that aside…! Saria!”

“What?”

“What’s your race?!”

“Eh?…ah”

Saria also seemed to have noticed.

If Saria’s race is Kaizer-Kong or demon, it would surely cause a ruckus! Soldiers would come flying!

“…That’s it! Advanced appraisal can identify your race!”

…iya, wait a sec? If I’m not mistaken, I had tried checking Aoyama’s status in the classroom and because the ability difference was too big, I couldn’t see anything other than the name?

…it’s, it’s alright right? I mean, now I am a monster. Ah, I somehow feel a little sad when I say that.

So without further ado let’s try it.

“Advanced appraisal!”

There is no reason to cry it out loud in particular. But don’t worry about it!

<Saria>

Race: Gorilla(Beastkin)

Gender: Female(Woman)

Occupation: Boxer(Boxer)

Age: 17(17)

Level: 775 (7)

Magic: 10000 (30)

Attack: 30000 (300

Defense: 20000 (30)

Agility: 300000 (30)

Magic attack: 5000 (50)

Magic defense: 5000 (50)

Luck: 100000 (100)

Charm: Immeasurable (100)

“Wei?!”

Somehow it’s amazing!

Or rather, the status is high no?! High specs no?! Charm is impossible to measure?! Enviable!

The race! It’s gorilla?!…Iya, it is so!

But, I dare say that when a human check the status, the numbers and character displayed would be those in the brackets. Maa, though it feels like the status is unbalanced in various ways…

However…Saria is a boxer eh. Well it’s probably because she fights with her bare hands when she was a gorilla, it is quite suitable…

Apart from that, I found out that it is not possible to see the skill of the partner with [Advanced Appraisal]. Maa, it doesn’t matter.

“Thank goodness…Saria, you seem to be more or less a beastkin for the time being.”

“Beastkin? What’s, with that”

“If I’m not mistaken, it’s a kind of demi-human.”

By the knowledge I’ve gotten from god, it seems to be so.

“Therefore you may go for the inspection without worries.”

“I see! Then, let’s get going!”

“Wa, wait!”

Saria took me by the hand and led me to and inspection queue.

After waiting for a while, it's finally our turn.

"Hai, the next person~"

"Etto..."

"Nice to meet you."

While I was hesitant, Saria said so properly. I'm, completely useless...

"Uo?! It's a super beauty..."

The soldier doing the inspection uttered as such in a loud voice.

The soldier is dressed in silver armor and has a sword at the lower west side of his waist.

Conspicuous unshaven stubble, messy hair, though he has eyes filled with ambition so he shouldn't be a useless man.

It's rude to look like that when meeting someone for the first time!

"Eto, idle chat is bad...So, first of all, present your identifications

please?"

It's hereeeee! It was asked for as expected! But I don't have it!

However, no matter how much ruckus I make, I don't have it means I don't have it.

So I decided to honestly talk about it.

"I'm sorry…neither this fellow nor I have any identification card…"

"Haa? You don't have it? That's, impossible isn't it? Normally the ID card is issued at birth? Even a slave would have an ID card…"

"That is so indeed…but, I've lost mine."

"Lost it…maa it's fine. Sometimes there is always people who say so."

Are you serious! I thought it means our social position!

While being secretly glad, the soldier before us called for another soldier nearby and asked for something.

"Wait a moment, Now, please bring the [Jewel of Truth]."

"[Jewel of Truth]?"

I look puzzled at the word told to me suddenly which I do not know of.

Then, the soldier heaved a sigh and said with eyes half-closed.

“You…are you serious?”

“I am seriously serious, so what kind of food is it?”

“It’s not a food!”

Un, yes yes I know. I was only joking.

“To briefly explain it, it’s the tool to find out if a guy has any criminal records.”

“That’s amazing.”

“Maaa. The guy who made it is a genius…”

“It was made?!”

Eeh, such amazing things can be made?

“Ou. Maaa, it’s an ancient person…here it comes”

When the ossan said thus, the soldier asked to get the thing earlier brought with him what looked like a crystal about the size of a basketball.

“Ja, the two of you. For the time being, put your hands on this?”

“I understand. Well then, start with me?”

“Un.”

After getting Saria’s approval, I placed my hands on the crystal.

Then, after a little time passed, pale blue lights spilled out of the crystal.

“Alright, you are fine. Now then, the beauty’s turn.”

“Hai.”

When Saria placed her hand on the crystal, pale blue lights spilled out of the crystal in the same manner as mine.

“Alright, you two are both fine. However, you have to pay 2 silver coins as payment to me for the entrance fee, is that fine?”

“It’s good…just 2 pieces for you alone?”

“Iya, its two pieces for two person. In order words, one for each person.”

“I see…hai, here you go.”

I quickly took out two pieces of silver and handed it to the ossan as it is.

“Ou, certainly. Wait, you do fit the appearance a little?”

“Eh?”

When it was pointed out so abruptly, I returned a quick reply without thinking.

“Although it’s in a different meaning as compared to Ms Beauty over there, you are obviously a suspicious person. While spending time in this city, pay attention to your behavior.”

“…hai”

Erm…sheep…! This thing is standing out a lot!

…Maa, its better than the full-faced helmet isn’t it. Un un.

However, I think it’s good that the status wasn’t verified. Maa, it’s always good to be careful.

“Come to think of it, it would be better if you two had went and get a new ID card.”

“Etto, once I register in the adventurer guild, I would like to get an identification card but…”

I will probably get it if I register myself. Please let it be so. Please!

However, at the moment at which I told the ossan thus, his face twitched magnificently.

A, are? Did I do anything?”

“Y, you…did you say you want to register in the guild of this town?”

“E, ehh…”

For some reason, the atmosphere started becoming bad and the ossan grabed my shoulders suddenly when I timidly nodded.

“Okay stop it right there. You, are you normal?”

“Iya, where did this come from?!”

What is normal?! I don’t understand the meaning of it!

“Why of all things did you choose the guild of this town?”

“Be, because…”

“No because!”

“Eeh…”

What’s the problem, this ossan…

But well the reason is that this is the nearest town, there’s no helping isn’t there? Or rather, why is the ossan so desperate?

“Shit. Again…again the number of victims in that place will increase again…?!”

“Wait a moment. Did you not just say something disturbing just now?!”

Victim?! What on earth?!

While holding tremendous uneasiness at what we would be facing from the guild from now on, the ossan looked at me and Saria with a serious expression.

“Listen well? If anything happens, come to my place! I will give you consultation! Absolutely do not hastily imitate other!”

“Etto…”

“Heard me?!”

“”Ha, hai!””

My voice and Saria’s overlapped as we answered together.

“Alright!…otto, the essential self-introduction has yet to pass. MY Name is Claude Shuraizer. Feel free to call me Claude. I also don’t need honorific.”

“Well then, do not be reserved…I’m Makoto Seiichi. Best regards.”

“I am Saria! Best regards!”

“Ou! Well then, once again ————”

After having said till there, Claude declared again in a loud voice.

“Welcome! Imperial Capital, Terviel!”

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“Oh!”

As I passed through the gate entering the town, I involuntary raised my voice in admiration at the sight before my eyes.

`Uooh! Nekomimi!?Im-impossible……!’

From the people leaving and entering the city, I saw a nekomini person.

But…… nekomimi beastmen really exist huh. That means, the day that I see a nekomimi maid is not far away. (TL note: I like you again! a man that loves nekomimis no matter how stupid is a comrade! What more a nekomimi maid! If she says nya then the ultimate heroine will be born!!!)

“But…… seriously there really are a lot of people”

There’s a lot of people; beastmen with ears and tails that aren’t cat ears, and abnormally short people.

Maa, I knew because of the knowledge, but seeing it with your own eyes it is more impressive.

As I was looking around the area, Saria calls in a happy tone

“Seiichi look! They are selling something!”.

Saria was pointing her finger at a stall selling yakisoba, like the one that were in Earth's festivals.

"Oh. Now that I think about it, we didn't get to eat a decent meal during the journey……"

Because Saria and I only received just enough food from Hitsugi, we could only make simple meals.

Now that we reached a tow, it might be good to have something with seasoning.

"There are quite a lot of stalls……. Even in another world, they are common?"

As I involuntarily murmured at the extent that Saria who is next to me couldn't hear.

Then, as I was muttering, I realised something.

"…… Huh? Somehow…… people with black hair……. there are none?"

I had been looking around unintentionally, I couldn't find even one person with same black hair as me.

"Eh?…… it's true. There isn't anyone with the same hair colour as Seiichi"

It seems like my murmuring was hard by Saria, and after quickly looking around, said so. ….. I think it is possible that people with black hair are rare.

But that's why, because I was summoned to a different location from the school guys with black hair, it is possible that I will get treated as a hero…… Maa, it's not good to be self-conscious.

Anyway, one I say that I am one of the heroes, I will be immediately thrown out on to the battlefield. The reason the guys in school were summoned was to subdue the demon king after all.

Ah, but from Claude I get that….. In this world a name like Seiichi is weird. As I am not seeking attention, I don't think it's a strange name.

There are a lot of things on my mind but, the thing that worries me the most is Kenji and the others. I think they will be fine……. Now, lets search for rumours about the summoned heroes. Maybe we will find out something.

"But….. I can't take my robe off easily"

"Why so?"

"Ma…… for a lot of reasons"

After responding with an appropriate answer to Saria's question, I think

a little.

First of all, it's about the skill "Disguise".

First the appearance, it changes the way the enemies see your status and when you attack it doesn't match with the status that is shown, it's the excessive attack power.

Then, the change of appearance is cancelled, and the indication of the status which a partner could see disappears, and it is possible to control the power to the status that is seen.

Most likely, the first "Disguise" only allowed the disguising of the appearance alone, which has the effect of lowering the opponent's guard. That's why, if met with a strong opponent, "This guy…. not bad" like exchange will occur.

Then, after the Rank up, showing the true potential…. At a place like this. Un….. if my predictions are correct….. it will be troublesome in so many ways.

Now that I know how to disguise, I am glad of it. Only, I didn't know if I can change my hair to gold blonde….. As I was thinking about this and that alone, Saria started pulling my hand.

"Na….. what's wrong?"

"Don't say what's wrong! How long are you going to stand here?"

“Ah”

After Saria told me so, I noticed for the first time. After passing the door, we hadn’t moved at all. Behind us there were more and more people, we were in the way.

“…… Sorry, then let’s go”

“Un!”

As we were walking, I ask Saria at my side.

“Now that I think about it, want to eat at the stall?”

“U~n….. I am a bit hungry…. Let’s eat!”

“Yosh!”

After hearing Saria’s response, we go to the stall.

“It’s so cheerful”

“Truee~ Everybody is smiling!”

Saria says joyfully. In fact, the people of the city, were all smiling.

As I look at the surrounding, there are a lot of people looking at Saria. What's more, there are a lot of men, but there were some women as well, smiling stupidly at Saria appearance.

But, seeing me that is walking besides Saria, almost all them made a perplexed expression.

Ma, the current Saria is cute without a doubt. And seeing a person covered in a robe besides such a being, doubting would be normal.

Only, let me say one thing. Especially the men ———— Saria is a gorilla.

Thinking it doesn't matter anymore, I say my honest thoughts.

"I don't know if it is this town, or all of the country…. But either way, everyone smiling is a good thing"

"That's true!"

When you are in a bustling city, it's natural to have fun.

I think this place name is Teruviel which isn't in Zeanosu knowledge, the country might have changed. I wonder if the country's name has changed.

"…… N? That is….. a church"

Then, I saw a certain building within my sights. Furthermore, basked in blue and white, it's a church seen in picture books.

"It seems that there are religions…."

I am a bit curious, but there is currently a more important matter, that's it. A castle town means there is a castle, so I am excited along with Saria. After a while, Saria found what she wanted to eat, so we bought it.

"Wa~a~! It looks so delicious!"

The thing we bought was something like fried chicken. However, the meat used was not chicken. It's from a type of demon called "Abūku". Here, important. I bought the same things for us, to eat while walking. Immediately unwrapping the friend chicken, and stabbed it with sharp leaves that were as hard as a needle, and tossed it into my mouth.

"Affu! Offu!"

Yeah, it was hot.

"Oho oho"

I am desperately making hafuhafu with my mouth cool it down, and beside me Saria is fufu cooling it down before tossing it into her mouth.

"U~n! So delicious!"

“lu, lure(Tr, true)”

Truly I can’t savour the flavour because it is too hot…… But it was my mistake so there was no helping it….. gusun. [ed: gusun = sniffle]

“Waaa…… it was hot”

As I say these words softly I fall into despair. Usually, I would say it’s delicious.

Then, as we eat it all and we then continue to our destination.

“Then, from Claude’s story, it should be around here……”

“What type of place will it be~”

The place we were aiming for was the guild.

Only, Claude’s reaction is still worrying me, I got a tremendously bad feeling. Just what type of place will it be…

We walk around the road that Claude told us, and we finally reached a single building.

“This…… is the place no?”

“Un, I think so”

In front of our eyes, a building with a sword and a shield painted on the red roof.

By the way, in addition to the sword and shield, it was firmly written ‘Guild’ in the symbols of this world.

As a matter of fact, it was a two story building, of a considerable size.

“……”

The wood door at the entrance, says that everyone can enter but……

“….. So scary”

When I am in front of this building, I involuntarily flinch.

Because…… Claude said some very disturbing words. Just what’s happening in this guild……

But, we can’t stand forever in the entrance. Furthermore, it’s absolutely unthinkable to enter the guild that might put Saria in danger.

I took a deep breath, and opened the door to the guild.

“Hora hora hora! This fucking pig! Cry in a lower voice!”

“More…… Hit me more e e e e e e e e e e e e e!” [ed: EHHHHHH! Why is there a M here?!]

I closed the door of the guild in silence. [Tl: yeah I will do the same if I was in your situation]

“…..”

I backed away from the guild, and confirmed again the named written on the sign of the building again.

“……Un, it’s definitely the guild”

It’s weird…… after entering the guild, a bondage wearing woman, and a tied up old man wearing leather armor, I have a feeling that a figure with a whip caught my attention.

…….. This can’t be. The guild is an organisation that makes money accepting various quests. It’s clearly not a place that is a S&M club! [Tl: Why not? Request to adventurer girl. Hit and humiliate a weird ossan with bondage clothes. Reward:50,0000 Gold. It fits] [Ed; EHHHH, Tl-san they don’t have to do it right then and there!]

I nod to myself, and again open the door of the guild…….

Then, in the inner part of the guild, the girl in bondage I thought that was my imagination was there stomping the old man.

“Ha~a! Ha~a! Step on me with those shoes!” [Tl: Sorry I can’t anymore I need to stop for a bit my stomach hurts……] [Ed; poor Tl-san]

“’Step on me’ you say? Didn’t you mean ‘Please step on me’?”

“Wa *u*u*u*u!”

Turning my line of sight to another location silently, a man with bloodshot eyes was rampaging while brandishing a counter seat from the guild.

“Something….. let me break somethiiiiiing!”

“Graund is ramapaging again? You, go stop him”

“HA? I am occupied with updating the book of bishoujo in this city!”

In addition, when I look at the other places, there were men who were cheerfully exchanging greetings without getting involved in such a spectacle.

“Oh! Suran-shi! Are you going out today?”

“Yeah. It’s because the weather is excellent for exposure! So I am going to be nude for a little bit at the market.” [TL: Oi oi oi… I was TL this in class you know? I almost burst into laughter! What if a teacher ask me what I am doing? How should I answer? That was close… well my classmate

were looking at me like I was crazy thought…)

"I see……. I intend to look after a little girl in the plaza from the shadows. If possible I want to get closer to her if possible."

"Hahaha! The same as always!"

"Either way, to not become indebted to Soldier-san, let's both do our best!"

"That's right! To be indebted to the Soldier-san every time would be disgracefully as a gentleman!"

I once again close the guild door.

……

"————— Isn't this a group of criminaaaaaaaaaaaals!"

I shouted involuntary while forgetting that I was in a bust area.

"Wai…… eh!? Nonononononono! Impossible! There's only fucking criminals here!?"

Isn't this bad!? Not long after roughly looking about, S&M couple, the psychotic and a pure hentai. Then I found a flasher and a lolicon in a single minute!? [TL: Wait… I am translating gintama and didnt realize it?

Or did the whole gintama cast went to the guild to become adventurers?]

Is the exchange between the flasher and the lolicon a usual thing!? They said getting taken cared by Soldier-san every time didn't they!?

"What's wrong? Making so much noise....."

Saria looked at me while letting out a worried voice.

Turning to look at Saria, the people around us were looking at me as if I was the weird thing.

However, the current people looked at the building behind us ———— looked directly at the guild, and making an expression as if they understood something, and just like that ignored us.

..... Heck why am I getting the same treatment as them!? I am not a like those Hentais!?

"Ah..... I get what Claude meant....."

If someone tried to register with such a group of hentais, of course you would normally try to stop them.....

"ne ne, won't we enter?"

"..... Un. I give up"

Saria was pulling my robe, so answering as best as I can. I can't let Saria enter such a place. Absolutely not.

"I's a pity, let's search for other work"

"Eh? Why?"

"un, it's useless anyway. It's out for a lot of reasons"

"?"

Looking at Saria cutely tilting her neck. I Absolutely can't let Saria enter a place filled with Hentais! When.

"Anyway let's move. Then, let's search for a job —-"

"There is no need for thaaaat!"

I could only say that, when suddenly a loud voice overlapped mine.

I was surprised at the sudden appearing voice and face.

Then there, wearing boomerang pants, exposing lavish brown skin, stood a half nude man.

There are a lot of things to tsukkomi, but for the moment lets ask.

"…… Who?"

Then, the big man before my eyes, laughed showing nickeled and white teeth, and spread his arms.

"I am the head of the guild that is located in Terviel[Tl:The king of perverts] In other words, guild master Gassur Clute! You can call me Gassur!"

After saying that, he flexed his muscles, and started showing off his biceps.

Gassur's is around the late 40s, but probably because he has a refreshing smile, his naked figure doesn't feel weird. I think he is lucky.

To Gassur I think I feel sorry but, let me do a tsukkomi.

"Why are you nakeeeeeeeeed"

Are there only hentais here!? In this guild!"

Hell, what's with the boomerang pants!? The full-face helmet from Hisuji, and now this!? Don't you reckon you're ignoring the setting a bit too much?

And don’t flex your muscle in front of Saria, Gassur!

However, having heard my question smiled and made an amazed expression.

“What stupid thing are you saying…. That is, isn’t it obvious to show these muscles to people! That is common sense!”

“Ne~e, I am weird? I am the weird one!?”

I think, what Gassur calls common sense, and what I know as common sense don’t match up.

“I heard a bit of your conversation……. You guys apparently want to enter the guild!”

I was stunned, returned at Gassur’s words.

“No…… we already stopped that…… “

“Don’t hold back! No matter how many comrades come we will welcome them! “

“As I said, we won’t enter…… “

“Saa, don’t stand here, let’s enter inside!’

“Un, first won’t you hear my story?”

No matter how much I said, Gassur was determined to pull us in the guild.

Entering the guild for the third time, as always full of hentais, Saria was looking at the surrounding interestingly, and pointed to the tied up ossan getting whipped by the bondage woman.

“Nee, Seiichi. What are they doing?”

“Shi! You shouldn’t look!’

Impossible, I didn’t think I would get caught in this situation. (TL: The absolute cliché of japan the mother taking away the children interested in some idiots passing be. See a ramdom anime and the scene will without a doubt appear.)

More importantly, in all the fantasy literature, when someone entered the guild the people would turn to look at them but, the guild adventurers didn’t realize we were here and didn’t look at us.

These people are no good. I have to do something fast.

While letting out a sigh, we were lead to the place in the guild to register.

“Come on, you’ve got to register here!”

“As I said, we won’t register in this place full of hentais!”

“What did you say!? If you register here, you can look all you want to my muscle! Look! This body!”

To Gassur that make a muscle pose after pose, I don’t know what to say.

…… I can’t tsukkomi anymore. What should I say here…….

Only, I understood one thing, I completely believe that this hentai is the guild master of this group of hentais, and.

While looking at Gassur with half opened eyes, suddenly Gassur lowered his sight.

“I see…… it’s a tremendously regrettable . If you register in this guild, there will be a lot of benefits……”

“……”

“The inn will include meal and will provide a completely safe environment, no matter which country you go to, you won’t find better weapons and equipment . *And we recommend request to the adventurers*! The other guilds are no good you know!?”

No matter how many times I watched his face, Gassur put a facial expression that’s says it’s really a shame. Why is it, I feel a great urge to

hit Gassur.

“Such things, I don’t feel a bit interested in. I don’t have money problems. In the first place, even if I don’t register here, I will get the same benefits if I register at another guild”

“You just don’t understand! How great is this guild!”

“Un, not at all”

“Look! At the people that here!”

The direction Gassur pointed at, as expected is the hentai filled chaos space.

“Everyone has a vivid look!? Do you know why?”

“I do not even want to know.”

“It’s because they are faithful to their desire!”

“It might be so!”

If you say this is repressed, everyone else in this world would be clerics.

“Well, truly this guild is talented, seriously only the people in this guild go to work even to other countries” [TL: The OP hentais… I cry for the

world)

“I am sure I heard that they are getting taken care by soldier-san regularly though”

There is no way these bastards can be excellent!

“That was, a collaboration with this country soldiers”

“A no good collaboration!”

“But, it is true they are excellent you know? The few S class adventurers in this world are all from this guild”

“I see, so S-class adventurers are all hentais”

For now, hentai = strongest to say, I understand.

“Don’t mind the small details. Saa, register, and get the same muscular body as me!”

“I refuse with all my being”

Is that so. When there is a person with high tension, naturally I calm down. I look at Gassur with cold eyes, but Gassur’s next words shock my mind.

“U ~umu……. But, in this guild you can get the information faster than any part of the world?”

“…… Why is this?”

“This guild, is not just any guild. It’s the [Guild headquarters]”

“!”

At Gassur’s words my eyes spin surprised.

Such a thing…….

“The hentai are gathered, at the very core of the guild…… was it too late……”

“Gugh, you realise that you are saying very rude things?”

“Shut up, hentai”

“That is harsh!”

As if the words he said were wrong, for some reason Gassur started doing muscle poses with a smile. I knew it, he is a hentai.

“But, if this is the guild headquarters……”

What I wanted to know, is information regarding the heroes. That's very important to me.

Speaking about the Guild, the quantity of information wouldn't be small. Rather than collecting information myself, it would be more efficient.

In my head I know the benefits of registering but.....

"Getting the same treatment as the hentais....."

Ah, looking it from stats point, in some way I am abnormal as well. I am not human anymore.

"This choice is extremely important! What will you do?"

What I decided in the end is.....

When I was in deep thought. The until now silent Saria, pulled my robe.

"Ne~e, Seiichi"

"Hn? What's wrong?"

"I thing is a good idea to register"

“Eh?”

“Because, every ne is having so much fun. And, it will be handy, isn’t it better to register?”

I understand what Saria meant. It would be handy to register, that is because this is the guild headquarters, I am forced to believe it.

But, everyone having fun, if I say no is no! If this is misunderstood, then will it become a serious problem!?

“……Here at the guild Headquarters, I know you can get employed by others country, but isn’t it unfair to the people that register in branch offices?”

“Well yes. But, the people that register in the branch guild, come and register here, then can they receive the same treatment? Most adventures that come to this town, end up registering here”

“fu ~un……”

Its double effort, if you can make it doing it once…….

Then, it’s very regrettable, but it looks like a good idea to register here.

“Ha~a…… I understand. Let us register”

“It’s decided like I expected it! Eris-kun!”

Gassur laugh joyfully, and called the women in Bondage that had been whipping the leather clad old man. (TL: Wait wait wait! She was the receptionist!? What happened to the typical kind smiling oneesan beauty?)

“Ara? What is wrong?” (TL: She spoke politely!)

“I’m sorry, but it’s a new registrant. Do the procedures.”

“I understand”

Saying so, the bondage clad woman, accepting the request, turned around to see us.

“I am very sorry; this is not a very appropriate dress to receive you……”

Saying so, the bondage clad woman snapped her finger.

At that moment, the makeover from Bondage figure of a little while ago, was turned into clean set of clothes that was based on green and white.

“I’ve showed you an unsightly appearance. I am called Miss Ellis Macren. It’s a pleasure to make your acquaintance”

Ellis, finished the self-introduction with a beautiful bow.

Looking at Eris-san, I feel like I was looking at a beautiful blonde ojousama come from a manga, her eyes were of a clear blue colour. A bishoujo's beautiful face, her skin is white, combined with a very pleasant atmosphere.

When she was wearing bondage, I confirmed that she had an above average womanly figure. [Ed: … aren't you a pervert for looking at her like that?]

How to say it…… I am seriously getting the manga ojousama vibe. Even when bowing, she raised the hem of her skirt…….

While having that feeling, Gassur continued to introduce Eris-san.

"By the way Eris-kun is, the daughter of Count Makren "

"She is a real ojousama!"

Hell, why is an ojousama working in a guild!? Furthermore, in a hentai filled guild! And using a whip in high spirits!

"Gassur-san. Speaking about women information is not polite you know? Or, would you want to be trained?"

"Just forgive me for that"

Gassur weak! Iya, Eris-san is strong? More important, trained…….

“That is fine. This time, you and that girl want to register is that it?”

“Ah, yes”

“Then, please fill this document”

Saying so while handing a paper, to fill out things like the name and birthplace.

“This, is it necessary to fill it all?”

“No. once you fill the name at the bottom, that is fine”

Easy! It is too easy to make an ID card! …… Well it’s not like I can write my hometown, so that this is easy is fine for me…….

For now, I pass the paper to Saria, and rapidly fill it. When Saria learned to speak human words, she learned to write as well, so there is no problem.

But when I finished filling it for the time being, I will check on Saria part. I will be troubled if in Hometown [Forest of endless love and sorrow] is written.

“Etto…… name is Saria, weapon is…… her own fist!?”

“Eeeh, Isn’t it cool?”

Certainly she is a fist fighter! But, can’t she chose better words to put in!?

Beside Saria weapon choice, there isn’t especially a thing that will found us out, so we give it to Eris-san just like that.

“Then, let me check it once. First, this woman is, Saria-san, weapon…… her own fist”

Are!? Passed!? Am I the weird one for being surprised!?

“…… Yes, in Saria-san part there is not a problem. Then, next is……”

Eris-san, puts down Saria’s registration form, and now picked up my paper.

“Seiichi-san, weapon is swords and magic. He~e…… so amazing”

“Is that so?”

“Yes. People that are able to use magic are very few you know? Well, coming here wearing that robe with the hood, I expected more or less that you could use magic”

“I see……”

As expected, in this world magic is very valuable.

But, I can’t be conspicuous like Claude said.

I wonder if wearing the Hood is bad……. Still, the heroes’ information should be low, so I don’t want to take it off.

“…… This is fine. we are a lot of people that don’t fill their hometown……. Your information is not lacking and you have registered”

It seems, we were able to register safely.

As I put my hand in my chest in relief, such a relief didn’t last long.

“That’s it! Then, Seiichi-kun and Saria-kun! I will have you both take a test!”

“…… Eh?”

I put on a stupid face at the words that were suddenly said.

“Umu, A test! If you want to register, you will get the various benefits I told you earlier. To get that benefits, it can’t be as easy as to just register”

“E ~eh…… isn’t it a fraud?……”

Why……and I thought the register was over with that paper ……. Explain it first…….

“Mā don’t be so depressed! Here, my muscles are exciting aren’t they!?”

“Iya, I don’t get it”

Showing me the muscles going mukimuki, there is no other answer.

“Either way! After finishing the Test, I will explain about the guild!”

“Ha~a…… what should I do for the test? Wait, what happens if you fail the test……”

“Be at ease there is no one that failed the test!”

“Then what is the meaning of the test!?”

Why make the test. There is no meaning.

After the surprise, Eris-san supplemented.

“Test is just a pretext. Saying it more clearly it is, a request to make sure you have the ability to work. Guild request are mainly subjugation, guard, harvesting, and chores. Among them, subjugation, and chore, are based on ability”

“I see……”

“Only, during the test, there is a need to be together with a test supervisor”

“Test supervisor?”

“Yes. What’s more, a B-class or more adventurer. Is there someone, an acquaintance that you can ask?”

“No, no one……”

“Then, let’s call the people of the guild. For the moment, let’s go see who is free at the moment”

“As expected, of Eris-kun! You work fast”

“Gassur-san, you are incompetent. This trash bastard”

“I am sorry”

Eris-san, the words you used are dirty.

After the exchange, Eris-san immediately tried to go to look for B-grade or more adventure for us.

“Hey, you.”

Suddenly, a voice saying that came from behind me.

Template?

I suddenly heard voices behind me, so I turned around in order to confirm their identity.

Thereupon, three evil looking men start smirking with a smile, and they were looking at me.

“……Do you need something from me?”

For the time being, I question them while staying vigilant.

To this response, for some reason Eris breathed a sigh, and Gusser had a bitter expression.

Just who are these……three people? I don’t know the meaning of their reaction….

Of those three people, one of them who looks like the leader said to the confused me.

“You, you seem to be taking a test right now aren’t you”

“Yes, well……”

“In other word, you’re a beginner right?”

“Something like that.”

…….Not good. I have no idea what’s going on.

I’m confused since I have no idea what their intentions are, but the leader looking man smiles even more.

This is…….the so called “Rookie Crusher” isn’t it? It appears frequently in fantasy novels, it’s the kind of thing where they find a fault with the protagonist and beat them up.

No matter how you look at it I’m in that so called protagonist position……and in this case, they didn’t like how I’m with a beautiful girl like Saria when I’m just a rookie.

To me who is pondering this and that, the leader looking guy suddenly said.

“You……come with us a bit.”

Yup, it came—! Just like the template! I knew it.

However, I completely don’t understand their motive. At least, I wish they would tell me a clear reason why.

“Um…..why?”

Since there's no other choice, I end up asking them. I don't particularly want to follow them when I don't even know the reason why.

However, to my question, the man's reply was outside of my expectation.

"Well……I can't really say it here."

"Eh?"

Wait. What are you planning to do to me? Are you going to take me to a place where there will be no witness? And then you'll beat me up, right? That's really scary you know.

No matter how much I retort in my mind, the atmosphere says they won't leave. Well, since I didn't retort out loud, of course they won't leave.

However, since it seems troublesome I decide to refuse.

"Um….sorry, but I will decline your request."

"You bastard, you don't have the right to refuse."

Huh? This is weird…. I didn't think that I will be swiftly denied of my human rights. Where have my own rights gone to?

Since it doesn't seem like I can do anything about the current situation myself, I decided to ask the guild master Gassur for help since he was here.

“Um… Gassur this situation, somehow…”

“Give it up!”

“That’s fast!?”

Why is it that when I ask for help, I was immediately shot down and was told to give up. I don’t quite understand.

“Aren’t you the guild master? Do something!”

“I don’t have that authority!”

“This dude is damn useless!!”

Useless-! You are a freaking guild master and yet you have zero authority? Quit completely you bitch!

“Eris! Please do something! I’m a newcomer!”

As it can’t be helped, I decide to rely on Eris’ position which seemed higher than Gassur’s.

However Eris’ reply was merciless.

“Although I’m sorry… please give up”

“WHY!?”

What did she say!? Why has everyone given up!?

Besides there must be someone who would help, turning to face the inside of the guild, some were still immersed in their own world and there were people who were watching me, signalling with their eyes “It is pointless…… just give up.”

What the fuuuuuuuck! Who on earth are these 3 people!?

Eris advised me who didn’t understand what to do at all.

“Though at the start it is painful…… before long it will feel pleasant.”

Is that a new door opening!?

I’m becoming a masochist! Once the pain turns to pleasure I’ll be beyond cure!

I rapidly get tired of following the men before my eyes.

However I calm down to think about it

I thought to myself on the assumption that I was to be beaten up, first

of all is it because of my status? Perhaps, but even if they attack me with all their might I am confident I would come out unscathed.

At the very least, my current status is beyond expectation.

Understanding that, and not wanted to bother Saria…I guess i'll have to follow him.

He also doesn't want to be in this area, and I want to avoid doing anything that'll stand out…wearing this robe may already be making me stand out though.

"……I understand. Follow me"

"That's what I wanted"

"M, Me too"

Saria wanted to come with me, but i stop her.

"Saria you wait here with Gassur and Eris-san. It will be over fast"

I try to use the most calm voice I can.

However, Saria still had an anxious expression.

"Bu, but"

While being thankful to Saria for being so worried for me, I try to convince her again.

Well is not like i don't want to be involved here. Of course I have confidence in my ability to protect her and if she transforms into a gorilla her battle prowess is tremendous, so it should be fine, it's all right……

That's what I am thinking, while trying to open my mouth the leader of the men opens his mouth and says.

"Woman. Stay out of it. You will be in the way after all"

Listening to the speech of the man, I couldn't hide my surprise.

H, huh? Normally bringing the normal girl Saria together will be more convenient no?

Or is it that they want to show her my completely beaten body? As I was thinking so, isn't it normal?

I didn't understand these men's objective, the men without minding the dubious me,

then started walking to the door.

“Oi. come on”

“Ah, wait”

While I follow the men confused, Gassur who didn’t say anything opened his mouth.

“Get yourself together. You have Saria after all. Don’t get your mind broken…….!”

“What are you saying!?”

Letting out a final retort, I left the guild

“He went……”

“Gassur, shouldn’t you stop them?”

“I didn’t have any other choice…… it was to protect my chastity……!

“……Truly you are the lowest”

“Hahaha! My muscles stopped me!”

“ I don’t get the meaning…… For the time being at least search for an

appropriate B-rank or higher Adventurer”

I didn’t know this exchange happened in the guild after I left.

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“This place should be fine.”

The place the leader of the men brought me while saying so is an alley a considerable distance from the guild.

This is surely the flag for beating me up. There are hardly any signs of life.

I use the skill『Enemy Search』for confirmation, but there really isn’t anyone else for the time being.

Though I increased my wariness, the men surround me in that time.

“Now then…Do you know why we brought you here?”

“…Well”

Though I don’t know the reason, the purpose is surely to beat me up.

However, these men have made just one miscalculation, my true strength is monster class.

I don’t lower my guard while thinking this way.

And for some reason the men smile when they hear my reply.

“Is that so…that makes this conversation quicker. Incidentally, all of us are the type that get more fired up outside than in a room.

“…Yes?”

What are they saying? Is it the fact that it’s better to beat up an opponent outside than it is inside?

But why is outside better than in a room? … I guess the reason is that it won’t fall into the public eye. It’s the reason a place without any sign of life was chosen.

While I was contemplating the meaning of the man’s words again, the leader suddenly takes off his leather armour and begins undoing all the buttons on his jacket.

The remaining two men take the chance to strip to the waist.

Is this…showing their so called seriousness. No, because their equipment was taken off they must not intend to use weapons…

Also, if this is the seriousness of men that temporarily don’t use weapons, why face a newbie opponent seriously?

Whilst a question mark flies in my head, the men's leader seems to sense my thoughts and his expression becomes amazed.

"What…didn't you understand?"

"Eh? Y,yes"

"Good grief…can't be helped huh…"

As the leader says so his face suddenly becomes serious and propositions.

"Want to do it?" (TL: "do it" in the sexual meaning.)

"……"

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…….

…eh?

That's strange… Did I mishear? I feel like I misheard『Want to do it?』from the man in front of me.

HAHAHA! Surely this is my misunderstanding! That's right, it's settled!

Whilst my cold sweat doesn't stop, the man says 'dear me'...and unbuttons his shirt with one hand.

"Want to do it?"

"Aaaaaaaaaargh!"

My misunderstanding was riiiiiiiiiiiight!

No good...these guys are no good! As expected of members of the pervert hangout!

Though I boasted overwhelming stats, my expression was flooded with fear.

Then more misfortune followed as the man adds

"I'm a man who doesn't mind eating heterosexuals"

"Gyaaaaaaaaaaaa!"

Someone...someooooooooone! Help meeeeeeeeeeeee!

I cry out desperately for help.

But nobody being in these outskirts was the worst.

“Calm down. It hurts at first. After that…right?”

“Stop iiiiiiiiiiiit! I’m completely normal!!”

“Everyone says so at first…but, they are only hiding their true character! Like these guys!”

“”Hehe! What a great ass!””

“Are you victims!?”

These fellows are no good, there is nothing that I can do……! Guild headquarters, is there no limit!?

I have to leave this place quickly! I don’t want to be in this place anymore!

Probably in the guilds of other countries, there will not be so many perverts!

……Hell that doesn’t even matter! Right now running away from this is top priority!

As I was searching for a way of getting away, the men keep getting

closer while waving their hands side to side, they get closer while drooling, they get closer while moving their hips…… this is horrific!

While moving back while flinching, at some point i have been cornered against the wall.

“It was wrong of you to come along willingly……. Give up now!”

“Noooooooooooooo!”

What to do……. what should I do!?

There is no need to think…… this place…… there is no choice but to forcefully break free from here!

I made up my mind and released the power that was sealed until now all at once!

My looks and the atmosphere didn’t change. Even so, the status showed to the opponent should be low.

But the power of my monster job which was being suppressed was unleashed using [Advanced disguise].

“I will have you let me run away at full speed”

“Ah!?”

I ran up the wall behind me.

Fight? I don’t feel like I can win. I wonder why.

So I chose to run away at full force. In addition I will be troubled by rumors if I beat them.

As i was running away along the wall, I noticed something.

……Wow….. I am running across the wall……

I took my specs that lightly.

As I was thinking with a light mood, I heard the voices of the men behind.

“That leg strength…… it will be useful for a lot of things”

“That body…… is ouuuuuuurs!·

“Don’t let him run! Cha…… Chase hiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiim!”

Yes, I hear it, let’s forget it and all the events of a little while ago, I’ll forget it. That’s a good idea.

I moved along the roofs while making sure not to be seen and quickly returned to the location of the guild.

“So while I once again returned to the location of the guild……”

But now that I’m in this country, to come across this situation is absolutely troubling. Will I not find peace while I’m here?

“Ah … … I hate it ……”

There’s no helping me if I say it unintentionally. Because I’m a “heterosexual”. All I can say is, I’m normal. I want to believe it.

Being close to the guild it can’t be helped that I feel depressed like this, I pulled myself together and entered the guild again.

Hereupon, as usual the guild is in chaos.

Because Gassur was still at the reception I was inwardly disgusted as I moved to the reception.

“Hmm? Oh! Are you ok?!”

“It was fine……”

As soon as Eris and Gassur saw me they had an expression of deep relief and cheerful smiles.

“No, well somehow… Gassur. I understand the reason you told me to give up.

“That right? By the way because those guys do that whenever we get a newbie adventurer visit you better be careful in the future.”

“No, stop it.”

“It’s been stopped many times… But ya know? common sense doesn’t work with those guys. Though it seems you returned safely did you not experience it? I can’t beat those guys.”

I experienced it. I did not think I was able to win at all. More than that I did not want to fight. …It seems like they would touch me here and there in the middle of a fight…

Although it’s certain I would win with my overwhelming stats, the mental damage is dreadful. If the opponent was a normal man I think I would have the strongest fighting power.

“I have to be diligent too…if I pin them against the floor they twist about under my muscles!

“Well…do your best”

I could only react by smiling bitterly under my robe. Suddenly, someone tugged at my robe.

Saria worriedly looked in my direction.

“Are you ok, Seiichi?”

“Yeah. I worried you.”

I pat Saria’s head for some reason while saying so. The sensation of Saria’s hair was silky and felt good.

As I was stroking Saria’s head, I answered her question which made Saria smile pleasantly.

……Wow. I just thought with all my being that Saria is cute. When I am with Saria, I feel like speaking fondly of my sweetheart unconditionally.

Well, after that scary memory, just being together with Saria heals me.

While there is a flower field blooming around Saria and me Eris speaks.

“Seiichi. About the matter of the previous test…..”

“Ah, yes.”

“Now, I tried to look for B-class adventurers that are in the guild, but……”

“……?”

I'm puzzled by the strange things Eris is saying. I wonder what is wrong?

While Saria and I are confused by Eris' words, Gassur tells us.

"Erm……. I wonder if Seiichi and Saria recently came to this country?"

"Eh? Yeah"

"Right now, other than you, there is only one adventurer of B class or higher."

"Then that person is fine. What's the problem?"

"Problem…… it's not to that level…… Eris"

"that's true…… there is not much we can do about this"

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AS we don't understand Eris and Gassur's conversation, Saria and I tilt our necks. Just who are they talking about?

Wa! They won't say that they are those homo guys from before no!? If they are……. then I've made the decision to run away from this land with all my might.

As I was making a frightening prediction and trembling, Gassur called the name of that person.

“Altria! Altri-a!”

So Gassur called to the guild.

Until now, I just saw adventurers that drowned in their own desire like the homos from before, so I stopped my movements at once.

And, all those present directed their sight to the same place.

I also followed everyone’s gaze to see that person.

What was there was a girl with shoulder length silver hair with a wild cut, a short sleeved white shirt equipped with breastplate of unknown material and gloves, standing in front of the quest board.

After hearing Gassur’s call, the woman directed her line of sight to us.

“T!”

“Wow……”

After looking at the face of the woman called Altria, Saria and I were both fascinated.

Beautiful golden coloured sharp eyes reminiscent of a beast and her skin is not white like Saria and Eris, it is a healthy tan colour. I don't know the exact height because we are far from her but she is quite tall for a woman.

And more than anything, the breast that is repressed and cramped in the breastplate. I think her proportions are tremendous.

In conclusion, the woman that Gassur called is a brown beauty.

That woman is approaching us.

"……What?"

From the words she said, I feel a pain in the ass atmosphere.

But Gassur doesn't mind the woman and keeps speaking.

"No, this times Guild's newcomers exam I want you to be the supervisor……"

"Hmm that, it doesn't have to be me it can be someone else, you or Eris can do it……" (TL: Orekko kitaaaaaa! for those that don't know an orekko is a female that speaks like a boy saying ore trying to be manlier or stronger, in anime manga etc it usually ends in the girl being cute and feminine or tsunderes)

“Um…… That’s true but……”

Amazing, this is the first time I’ve seen a woman referring to herself as “I” (ore). Well it’s good because it matches the atmosphere…… Heck, knowing it what will it be useful for?

“Don’t say that? Currently you are the only B-class adventurer that is here and we can’t give the Guild card to them like this”

“As I said, just wait until some B-class come back. There is no need to choose me purposely.”

“But you know……”

As Gassur is murmuring, Eris continued.

“Unfortunately, apart for you the others B-class are working in other countries, the closest one will need at least a month to come back…… Furthermore, there doesn’t seem like there will be anyone rising to B-class”

“……”

The woman falls silent at Eris’ words.

Then, after a while, she turns her line of sight to me.

“Oi, bastard. You don’t want me to be your test supervisor no?”

“Eh? Why is that?”

This is baaad…… the story is progressing so much i don’t know what to say. Why should i think that the woman in front of my eyes is no good?

But, because my answer was unexpected, the woman made a surprised face.

“Bastard……Are you sane?”

“No….. Sane or whatever…… yes?”

“That’s true!”

I tried waving to Saria, but she too doesn’t know why she is no good.

Looking at me seriously, Gassur said to the woman.

“He just came to this land, so is normal that he doesn’t know about Altria”

“But you know…… I, am tentatively A-class, I thought I was recognized but……”

“Don’t mind the small details! Take the job Altria!”

“As i said————-”

“What’s more, he could be fine with your constitution?”

“Tsu……”

Hmm? Constitution? I don’t understand what it is really. And so, Saria and I continue to talk freely.

“……On what grounds would you say such a thing”

She said in an incredibly low voice, but Gassur didn’t mind it and smiled cheerfully.

“That thing…… what can it be apart from my muscles! My body is the absolute reason! There is no other reason better than this!”

I am sure there are. Rather, isn’t there too much which is troubling? That means you have no reason apart from your muscles.

While having my eyes half opened, I retorted in my mind.

However, after the woman saw Gassur’s serious expression, she turned to us.

“…… I understand. The exam supervisor. I will do it”

It seems that the woman will become our test supervisor.

For starters, as i was breathing a sigh of relief, the woman introduced herself.

“My name is Altria Grimm.”

Then, with a sad expression while smiling—-

“Altria of ≪Disaster≫.”

—- I was told.

Odd Jobs

"Well then, what do we need to do?"

Saria and I, introduced ourselves to our examiner, Altria-san and head to town soon after.

The town is as vibrant as always, unlike the guild, giving off a refreshing feeling.

"Ahh, as for the request you can take, you'll start off with 'odd job' type requests."

"'Odd job' type? Such as?"

"Ahh, right, this time round Yakou sent in 3 requests."

"Three…!?"

Examinations usually requires one task to complete right? Maybe because my thoughts were seen through, Altria-san replied with a wry smile.

"Ma…, Gassur might be thinking of clearing all the 'Odd job' requests in one go."

Gassur you bastard …! Gassur's ability as a Guildmaster isn't exceptional, but why is he so nit-picky in such areas? Or is it only this one time?

"And so, the request content this time will be …. For the time being, it's [helping the orphanage], [Demolishing an abandoned building] & [Walk the dog]."

"It really is just odd jobs huh……"

Walking the dog… one can just do it themselves. If you don't want to don't rear one…They are all exactly as they sound 'Odd jobs'. What's with [Demolishing an abandoned building]? Is it alright to classify it as an 'Odd job'?

"Altria-san"

"Ehmm…? What's up?"

"It's about [Demolishing an abandoned building], what is it to be done? By dismantling a building, wouldn't it be safer to have a professional do it?"

"Ahh, it should be alright. Even if it says demolition, all you need to do is just destroy it."

"Quite the oddity huh."

Quite random. Way to go alternate world. Normally, you'd have to go through various stages just to carry out a demolition job. The heck? Isn't there an irregular who destroys stuff in the guild? Wouldn't it be easier to assign it to him?

"Well then, I've explained the requests. Where are you heading off to?"

"Hmmm? The orphanage."

Looks like helping out at the orphanage will be first. With this, we're clear with which request we'll be doing first.

"Erm…why are you standing so far away?"

"…"

For some reason Altria-san is keeping some distance between us. It's not like I want her to stand extremely close to us, but… how do I put it? It feels like she's avoiding us. After heading into town, I realised that the town folks were keeping their distance whenever they see Altria. In the end, with questions left unanswered, we arrived at the orphanage.

"This is the orphanage."

"Hee, is this… the church?"

The place that Altria pointed out is the church that we saw when we were walking around town at the time when we arrived at Terviel. Even so, what I initially thought to be the church was actually the orphanage? Altria-san politely explained as to clear up my queries.

"It certainly is a church but at the same time it functions as an

orphanage.”

“I see… by the way what is the religion of this church like?”

Coming from a different world, I lack general knowledge, so I try to gather as much intel as possible from these situations.

“Ah didn’t you know? This is a church of the Belle Feuille religion”

“Belle Feuille …”

Who cares, changing it from ‘be’ to ‘mi’ would make it Millefeuille, damn tasty.

“So what are the teachings of Belle Feuille?”

“You don’t even know that…! Simply put, not only humans, monsters are also classified as living beings. Then, [Miracle descends on those with love. Love is the foundation of peace]… it is that kind of teaching, love that doesn’t bother others is the 1st step to peace.”

“So does it mean believing in a god?”

“No, s(he) was a real person.”

In truth, god doesn’t meddle with the affairs of this world, so I guess having a target of belief should be okay too. Not only that, miracle descends on those with love. There’s also the incident with Zeanos, nothing is definite, but still this sort of teaching may bring about salvation. More like, this transcendent way of thinking doesn’t seem to originate from humans. Oh well, the phrase ‘love & peace’ exists on earth as well, so in a way this world and earth may be quite similar. Whilst thinking so, Saria then said with sparkling eyes.

“Love huh…Seiichi I love you”

“O, o!? …and I, you.”

“Ehehehe!”

Too out of the blue…!

Though, even back when Saria was a gorilla, and even now as a bishoujo with pure intentions, she is honest with her feelings. That part of

her can never be imitated by humans. It can be said that it's Saria's virtue having lived in the wild.

"Ah, stop being lovey dovey, I feel embarrassed just watching."

Having that said by Altria, I felt embarrassed in front of other people. However, it is quite fortunate that only Altria is around us. Feeling embarrassed, Altria looked away with flushed cheeks.

"Ma, I'll never have luck with love for the rest of my life"

"Eh?"

"Nothing, let's go."

Altria left us behind and went into the church.

"Hmmm…did we do something to offend her…"

"No clue, but I think it's alright."

"Sorry. We're only looking for 1 person."

An elderly sister told me so, after relaying the circumstance upon entering the church. But… that means we can't receive the job request together.

"Usually, there's a young sister that works here, but at the moment she's out on an errand. She'll be back by tomorrow, so now we're short on manpower. And, we only wanted to hire 1 person for the day, so we only have the wage for 1 person only."

So the ones who arrived are me & Saria. This is something that newbies like us can't handle, so we asked Altria.

"Eh, what do we do in this case?"

"Eh? What to do… just accept the job"

"I know that, if it's only for one person, if the other guy doesn't go on another request he'll have nothing to do. Then while I go and do the other request, there's only Altria, the sole examiner."

"Ahh, about that, for the person who accepts this quest, there's no need for an examiner."

“This request doesn’t pose any danger, the attitude while on the job can be known if you just ask the requester, so the examiner for this request is just a figurehead.”

“Is that so…?”

This person said it in a clean cut refreshing way. On the contrary, it feels settling if it’s this dry.

“So, which one of you will accept this request?”

Altria asked while I was deep in thought. And so while turning the conversation to Saria, Saria looked like she’s having fun.

“Seiichi, I wanna do this.”

“Eh? But is it alright?”

Though she looks human, Saria’s a demon. Can she take care of kids? While I felt a bit of anxiety, Altria muffled her laughter and said.

“Kukuku, look at yourself. No matter who looks at it, the one whose most suited for this request is Saria.”

“…Yeah you’re right.”

A man in a robe taking care of kids…it’s unreasonable, it suspicious like a criminal. In contrast, Saria is a cute girl compared to me, the job totally fits her.

“Got it, Saria give it your best!”

“Yup!”

Saria nodded cheerfully, the elderly sister then said.

“It’s been decided to have the cute girl, huh?”

“In place of us, for this short period please take care of her.”

“Oh how polite. I’m the orphanage’s director, Clair Huster. Calling me Clair is fine.”

This sister is the director? It doesn’t look that way. That’s to say she feels more like a commoner rather than someone important.

"Ok Saria, do your best here, we'll pick you up after Seiichi's exam."

"Ok!"

Altria and I left the Church.

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"So… where to next?"

"Hmm, let's do 'Building Demolition' it'll be troublesome if it is left until later."

True, we can walk the dog anytime. It's their own dog, it'd be best if they can do it themselves… though I think they have reason why they can't. Altria & I moved through the city while I was having such thoughts. The whole time Altria kept her distance without getting close to me. The district Altria and I were walking in, there are lots of 'construction in progress' buildings, with people who seem like carpenters walking about, each going about setting up a house. Without interacting with each other as we walk down the street, the kid from before came running towards us. Without noticing us, the kid as if playing tag was running about. Then, the kid bumped into Altria and fell to the ground in front of her.

"Uh..uh..Hurts…"

The kid started crying soon after. He scraped his knee and it looked like it hurt a lot. As I was closing in to help the kid up, Altria gave the kid a hug.

"Aww, don't cry. You're a boy right?"

"U…" (boy crying)

"Ahh that right it hurts… wait a bit, I'll relieve you of the pain."

As Altria says so, she took out a vial containing a greenish concoction from her item box. The people of the alternate world can commonly use item box. The fact that I don't find the usage of item box unnatural in any way got me thinking. Oh well, having the suspicious element go away is a good thing. Altria soaked a handkerchief with the concoction and gently cleaned the boy's knee.

"Ouch!"

"Bear with it. I'll heal it."

And so, after cleaning the bruised knee with the handkerchief, the bruise disappeared cleanly.

"Here you go, it's alright now."

"Wa! Thank you sis!"

Probably, whatever's in the flask earlier was a healing potion or something of the sort. Recovery potions work without being ingested? Even so, it's good that the kid's injury is healed. I was about to take out a high class recovery potion from my item box. Nonetheless, Altria-san despite her tone, she's good at taking care of others. My questions were answered dutifully as well. I thought while watching the interaction between Altria and the kid.

"Ah, this is dangerous!"

Such a screams reached our ears. Wondering what's going on, I looked around the area, near Altria and the kid, wood materials collapsed. I come to a sobering realisation!

"Altria – san…!"

It was the moment when I was about to take a step forward after immediately releasing the power in me.

"Hah…It's useless…"

Altria said as such. The kid was stunned unable to take in the situation. And so, Altria handled the issue faster than I can react.

"Fuh!"

Altria without exerting much effort, received the collapsed wood block and gently set it on the ground without a scratch. Those sudden movements were extremely elegant, to be precise, it felt like the incident was foreseen beforehand.

"…It's alright now, hurry along now."

“Ah…”

Altria’s words brought the kid’s sanity back, and he hurriedly left in a panicked state.

“Sorry about that, are you alright?”

“Ng… Don’t worry about it.”

The carpenter guy who dropped the wood block, apologized to Altria apologetically.

“Come on, let’s go. We can’t have Saria waiting can we.”

“Eh? Ah, yes.”

While feeling puzzled about the somewhat lonely Altria, I headed towards the abandoned building mentioned in the request. Keeping silent the whole while, we reached the abandoned building. Upon reaching the abandoned building, I asked Altria.

“Is is …this place?”

“…Yup.”

In front of us was a building exposed to wind and storm, it looked like it was about to collapse. If it was in a beautiful state, it’d be a nice place to live as it was a pretty big house.

“How did it end up like this?”

“It’s the result of relatives who didn’t want to bother taking care of the place after the owner died.”

As a Japanese with a thrifty spirit, I couldn’t believe it. From the size of the house, it belongs to nobles right? It would definitely be a good home if properly taken care of. Even so, there’s a limit to neglecting. Exactly how many years has it been since the owner died?

“So, is it enough to completely destroy this house?”

“Oh yeah, now here’s the instructions.”

“Ok, I’m off to destroy it.”

"....Wah?"

In response to my words, Altria said as if she's out of breath. However, without noticing her reaction, I moved closer to the abandoned mansion.

I've noticed as I got closer, it really is a big house. Even now it looks as if it's about to crumble, but not up to the point that it'll collapse at the touch of a finger. If I go full power, it'll be easy to destroy it. As I reached that conclusion at my own convenience, I released my disguised power. The status visible to others should remain unchanged, even the atmosphere around me should remain unchanged, Altria should be unable to detect my monstrous strength.

"What in the world..."

"Eh."

To elude Altria's words, I gently punched the support pillars of the abandoned mansion. In that instant, the pillars that I've punched shattered, the shockwave due to the pressure of the punch also knocked down the walls nearby. Uhm, I've gotta give it to my 'monster' occupation. I didn't expect the walls to be blown away as well. Even so, the walls were blown away just from a light punch.

"Wha!?"

I can somewhat imagine the startled Atria standing behind me. Well... the sudden punch which instantly evaporated pillar and walls. It'd be like your eyes are lying to you. As I thought as such, Altria came back to her senses and suddenly started screaming.

"Hey, you fucking idiot!"

"Eh?"

At that time, I still didn't comprehend why Altria was yelling. The reason is because the request was firmly carried out but I was yelled at as a result. However, I came to a realization to what had happened afterwards. The pillars that I've blown away, walls that I've shattered, the mansion that was somehow able to avoid collapsing up till now started crumbling. The sudden situation sent me into a daze and I was unable to

move my body. If I were to look closely, I confirmed it as if in slow motion, the remnants of the roof and ceilings are falling towards me. Oh boy, I've completely forgotten about it. Because it crumbles easily, extra careful steps are required when demolishing it. As I thought that, I forgot that I need to step away to avoid the collapse of the ruin. As a result, the ruined mansion started crumbling towards me.

"Hey you stupid ass!"

"Eh?"

I, Altria Guremu, started yelling at the person I've only just met today at the sight of the rubble before me. Even so, I was yelling in vain as large amounts of rubble started falling down ruthlessly. Due to the tremendously loud noise and heavy dust, visibility instantly decreased.

"Fuck!"

As I yelled such curses, I rushed amidst the rubble. I bit my lips at the sight of my timid self. Yet again, because of me someone is unfortunate. Even when I've sworn not to hurt others.

"Please be safe…!"

Even though we've just met today, I was hoping that nothing will happen by getting involved with me. and yet…. yet ……!

Driven by the intense remorse in my heart, even under such poor visible condition, I avoided the rubbles nearby. However, as I desperately tried to avoid the rubbles, a ridiculously light toned voice was heard.

"(coughing) Got some sand in my mouth. "

"Eh?"

That voice, without a doubt is the voice of Seiichi, the guy whom I've just met today. Seiichi, undoubtedly should have been buried under the rubble just now right? As such thoughts swirled in my head, the heavy dusts which caused poor visibility started to clear up.

"Got me worried back there, didn't expect the rubble to fall towards me."

And so, as the dust cleared up, with sands and soot covered all over his robe, there stood Seiichi.

“E? Ya… … Wa?”

I involuntarily stopped shifting the rubbles aside. I couldn’t believe the sight set before my eyes. Up till now all the guys who’ve gotten close to me, have all met with misfortune.

When we arrived at the orphanage, I thought it was strange that nothing had happened thus far. As we arrived at this ruin, I started thinking that I will undoubtedly bring others misfortune. Well that’s what I thought. It was easy to destroy the tattered mansion but not without risks. Therefore, it is necessary to destroy it carefully. Even so, no matter how careful we are, it is impossible to avoid all the dangers. That’s why, when we arrived at this ruin, that was the reason I started thinking that I bring misfortune to others. Even so those who are close to me will somehow get hurt somewhere. Of course, if they have bodily injury, they will also incur a mental trauma. Even so, Seiichi whose standing before me remained unscathed, he could also afford to needlessly worry about the dusts covering his robe. That’s why I couldn’t understand the sight before my eyes. It was a situation where you’d normally come out with a serious injury, Seiichi on the other hand came out without a scratch. As I stood there in a daze, I came to a realization as I watched Seiichi. Just around the vicinity of Seiichi, it was as if the rubbles avoided Seiichi as they crumbled. Did a miracle happen? To the ‘me ‘ who has always been unfortunate up until now, it was a moment where I’ve experienced something like a blessing in disguise.

“It’s not a situation to be strangely impressed about!”

This time a miracle may have taken place, it’s good that Seiichi was unhurt, but it’d be troublesome if he took actions at his own liberty. And so, I closed in on Seiichi and started yelling.

“Fucking bastard, don’t act before I give out instructions!”

“Eh?”

It was unclear what his expression are hidden under the hood, but

Seiichi was probably didn't understand why he's being yelled at.

"Listen!? You're taking the test to become an adventurer, danger is always lurking around the corner! Truth be told, I don't know if you understand this. Do I have to make myself clear on this! (angry) "

"That is…."

"Acting before I gave out instructions, if something happened it'd be too late."

"Listen! If you wanna be an adventurer, know this! The most important thing to an adventurer isn't godly strength *enormous amounts of magic* unparalleled skill / superb mind. It's the ability to perceive dangers."

"No matter who, if his ability is lacking just a bit, he'd die. Looking at this abandoned mansion, you thought it was easy to demolish didn't you?"

"Yes…."

"The result is what you've experienced just now. Even if called a coward, those who are careful are the ones who are amazing… it'd be pointless if you died."

"…."

"That being said, I'm also partly at fault."

"Anyways, be careful next time. you've still got Saria with you. Your existence is more important than you think. One who cannot protect himself cannot be expected to protect what they hold dear. I don't think you can be 'careful' this instant, I will help you out in the meantime."

"…Yes, thank you very much. Erm…. I'm really sorry for this time."

As if taking to heart what I've just said, Seiichi lowered his head. I really hate my constitution which involuntarily brings misfortune to others without it being my intention. As I finished saying so, I took a light breath, sighed and said…

"…Erm…it's good that you're unhurt"

As it felt embarrassing coming from me, I inadvertently diverted my gaze from Seiichi.

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I, Hiragi Seiichi, at this very moment carved what Altria said into my heart. It's true that my actions were wrong. Trying to solve everything by brute force without thinking of the consequences, the result is this. I shouldn't have been too overconfident with my power. I've probably subconsciously took on a bad habit. It's the same as skills, even if your status is amazing, it's meaningless if we are dragged around by the nose by those statuses. Arbitrarily thinking that errand type requests are easy, I came to learn how immature I was. But, thanks to this incident, I will take extra care with the actions I take herein. It could be said that thanks to this event I gained a lot, but I was happy that Altria seemed to be thinking more seriously of me and had shouted at me. Though we only got acquainted today and there may be some circumstances that Saria and I don't understand. After my parents died…… the serious scolding…. well what should I say?…… it was embarrassing. This person is actually pretty good-natured. Why do you look so… lonely? I can't help but be irritated when you distance yourself from us without any reason. ……If possible I would like to help. While thinking of such a thing, I was able to dismantle the ruins that became the request for the time being, if this request is actually complete then next is walking the dogs.

"Oh, even if……. even if the request is completed is it a good thing?"

"Well, even if I say dismantle, it's really just breaking it apart, once broken it's basically complete."

…Really? Though that reminds me who is the person that requested this work? Though the reason these ruins were being destroyed was because I took the request…… but why was I the only one who took the request?"

"Ah it was a request from the country, though no one does it because it's just a troublesome chore to do."

"What? it's a request from the country? Is that ok for them to do?"

"It's all good, and because it wasn't urgently requested or a direct order

from the royal family when saying it clearly these were just abandoned by the master of the place."

It really is ok. Am I ok with that? While I was secretly holding onto such thoughts, Altria added.

"It's ok because the guild is an organization that is not subject to interference from the state."

"There is no interference..... from the state.....?"

"Yes. even though we can receive requests that are important to the country they sometimes get put off cause the guild is kind of like an independent country."

"A country....."

"Therefore if there is ever a fight between the nations we do not take part at all even if we are asked. So request as such are generally not given to adventurers but to mercenaries."

Mercenaries..... though it may be rude but it sounds cool and strong too.

"Though I get a reward on the spot because the requester is a sister who helps at the.....orphanage she hands the reward to me and then when we get back to the guild ill hand it to you."

"Ah I see."

"Well then let's go do the last request—- walking the dogs."

"You make is sound so dull when you say it that way."

I still don't know what kind of experience is waiting for me at the request though I paled a little when I heard earlier what the request was. After the exchange was finished we moved to the location of the last request. This time the conversation with Atria was very different from the conversation we had when heading towards the ruins. I was easily guided through the town of Terveil. I think Altria is a really great invigilator. Still even if I finish all these requests the collection system and the subjugation system remain.... We kept moving until before long we

stopped in front of a mansion.

"We are here."

"Really…….here!?"

I cry out unintentionally. While thinking we stopped suddenly in front of a gorgeous house. Is this the place where the request is!? Altria explained it easily to the surprised me.

"Around here is called [the Upper district] a lot of nobles live here. The one who made the request is Mrs. Adriana who lives in the house here, and because her husband is an earl so do not mess up."

"I'llll do my best"

Seeing my slightly broken speech Altria smiled wryly.

"You don't need to be so tense because she is actually a very gentle person"

"Oook…"

I somehow managed to reply and then set foot into the luxurious grounds in the with Altria. There was an abnormally long brick wall with a gorgeous black gate. when we passed under the black gate a garden with all kinds of colourful flowers appeared before my eyes. There is a fountain in the garden and I wondered if a magic tool or something was used. I didn't stop looking at it even though I was speechless from such a sight. I looked around restlessly because I thought it might be impolite somehow but i couldn't help it because it was just so wonderful. After having walked a long distance from the gate we arrived at a solid wooden door. While I was hesitating Altria pressed a button next to the door. Ding-Dong. ……Yes? Oh? a chime? buzzer? No why does…. have…. does another world have the same thing? I unconsciously stared at the button Altria had pushed. Yeah…… that just broke my worldview. Is this also a magic tool? Isn't it convenient, yeah it must be very convenient. Well that is a means to easily call someone I guess I'll have to use it now…. no! Don't think too deeply! It was assumed that I understood I would wait for a while after pushing the chime, and the solid wood door

opened.

"Who are you?"

The one inside was a beautiful blonde middle-aged lady with just a few wrinkles, she was a considerably beautiful woman. She was wearing an elegant light blue dress though it was not very ornamented.

"We came to fulfil the request you put in with the guild."

Then without any tension Altria announced and I was so nervous..... no words came out. In response to Altria's words the blond middle-aged woman smiled.

"Ok! Well I have been waiting! Please come in and I wonder may I ask.... Can you do it right now?"

"Yes it's alright."

"Good! After the butler who was in charge of walking the dogs was injured and I would like to go myself but I'm actually very busy so you guys saved me!"

She is indeed a noble, there is a servant just for walking the dogs? Our statuses are very different!

"So, where are the dogs we will be taking a walk with?"

"Here she will show you where they are."

After having said so a blond woman appeared in the front door.

"Oh? Who is the person covered in the hood?"

"Yes, sorry but the one who accepted your request was not me but this man.....ehhhh! Take off the hood! It's impolite?!"

"Yes!?"

No it's certainly rude and though I understand that.....!! But even if it'll be troublesome because if I take it off here... While such thinking was raging in my head the middle-aged woman smiles.

"It's ok, as long as there is a reason you hid your face in such a hood it should not be demanded to take it off."

“What, yes….”

“My name is Adriana. What is your name?”

“Well I…. my name is Seiichi.”

“Seiichi…… that is a good name from the way it sounds are you a person from the country of the east?”

“Huh?”

Country of the east……. what?

I tilted my neck at the words which she suddenly said wondering about but I decided to not think about it too deeply.

“Well it’s probably ok, would you like to go see the dogs Seiichi?”

“Oh, yes!”

“Well then I will ask you to walk Milk.”

The dog’s name is Milk…? A lovely name for a small pure white dog? However, wouldn’t you keep such a dog in the house or is there a house just for the dog. Well even if it was like that it wouldn’t matter, but……. Adriana is seriously a good person. I didn’t have to take of my hood and was really saved. Thanks to Adriana’s personality I was saved and was now following a guide and arrived in front a cage soon

“We have arrived.”

“Oh?”

We’ve arrived? Where is Milk-chan? Even though I looked around there doesn’t seem to be a dog which seemed to fit the name Milk-chan. Instead there was a large cage that gave off a terrible presence. Adriana approached the cage despite me being confused

“Come here Milk-chan.”

“Awooooooooooo!!!”

”……”

……This isn’t funny……. though a terrible roaring voice is

heard……

It must be in my head!! I must be mishearing! Breaking out in a sweat I watched as Adriana opened the door to the cage.

“Now, come out Milk-chan.”

“Awooooooooooo……Woof woof!”

While shooting out a terrific howl coming out of the cage——

“……OH…….”

———— With pure white hair a huge white dog about 5M in length.

“Ummm…… I’m to walk this?”

“Yes of course.”

“I’m to walk this?”

“Of course”

“This————”

“What is up with this reality!”

I was hit in the head by Altria. No wouldn’t it be strange? …… Milk-chan isn’t a name for a dog that has that kind of name! I’m not even sure that still counts as a dog?! If anything it’s similar to the Aqua Wolf I fought in the【Forest of endless love and sorrow】!?

“Everyone is afraid when they first see this child but there is no reason to be afraid. This child is very quiet so you can be at ease it’s very safe.”

“…. By the way what was the reason the person in charge of walks was injured?”

“Oh that was because he got bitten by Milk-chan.”

“You can rest assure. rattle rattle rattle(Chains on Milk-chan)”

Where is the quiet!? What is safe!? It’s Milk-chan that injured the last person who walked it!

“It’s strange though……. for crime prevention Milk-chan is perfect…”

“It would be certainly safe!”

Safety and that are a little bit different! If a thing like this was in the garden and a thief walked in of course he would run! I’m scared!

“Well let’s leave out the small details…. well anyways work hard on your walk!”

“Impossible Impossible Impossible Impossible Impossible!”

It’s impossible by all means! It’s been glaring at me since a little while ago! Milk-chan!? There’s almost no difference from a fight and a walk!? Will it even walk side by side with someone? Thanks to my status, I am definitely safe…. but if you are talking about my flesh and my mentality, it’s not! To me who is desperately shaking my head Altria reports.

“Walking in the city will definitely be bad, so why not walk it in the garden a bit.”

It seems I don’t have any veto power…. I’m also a human I think……. but that’s not very convincing. However, I realised that I wouldn’t be able to escape from this request no matter what, spit out a sigh while feeling tired.

“That’s the spirit!”

Altria seemed happy as well and laughed. I was completely charmed by the unstifled-like laughter and that genuine smile she showed at the orphanage. Did she notice me looking at her like that? Altria-san coughed once and her cheeks turned red.

”An, anyway! this is the chore systems last request so. ….. Do it well?”

“Yes!”

Well it seems good to even be able to have seen that smile. While thinking of such a thing, my walk with Milk-chan began.

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—- I, Hiragi Seiichi was not liked by creatures on Earth.

Humans, of course, but even the dogs and cats (didn't like me).

If I got close to cats or dogs, they would threaten me with erect hair, or bark like crazy. Most likely, it was because of my smell….. I wanted to think it was that.

But, such a reaction was fine until then, but when I got close and they fainted I still felt like crying a bit remembering……. I even killed a Clever monkey with my odor.

Well right now Saria is following me happily, in short I was marked as someone to be hated by animals in the past. Of course I thought of Kenji and the guys as friends, they didn't hate me…… Un, that's what I want to believe.

Well, I could continue with how hated I was but, I basically loved cats and dogs. And I wanted to take a walk with them.

But because of that, I didn't have a pet in house, so how could I dream that this request was to walk a dog around?

Just, I wonder why. The dream of walking a dog being realised, doesn't make me happy.

"Uooooooooooooh!"

“Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha!”

—- Because, my idea of walking a dog is a bit different.

Right now, by a 5m large white dog…… By Milk-chan, I am being chased at full throttle.

…… Are? Weird……. Walking a dog means, following the dog that’s bind by a collar, no? what remains of that heartwarming scene? Me sprinting at my best? I wonder when the concept of a walk has changed radically without me knowing it?

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“After all, it’s weird!”

“Uooooooooon!”

Being chased by a dog is certainly not a walk! Furthermore, the one being chased is me!

Whatsmore Milk-chan cries are not of a dog! They’re a wolfs!

“Is Milk-chan really a dog!?”

It doesn’t stop running even if said so. If I stop my legs…… It will eat me!…… I got that feeling.

By the way, the place I am sprinting desperately right now is Adrianna-san’s garden, that’s why I am not going at max – in order to avoid destroying the place.

If I ran without thinking in Adriana-san’s garden, by now the garden

would be full of craters.

Like this, I keep running, not forgetting to continue holding my hood so that it does not fall off.

The bustling movement, I continue to be earnestly pursued by Milk-chan while Altria-san is watching.

"That guy Seiichi…… Amazing speed"

"That's your impression in this situation!?"

Don't you have a different impression!?

"That's true…… You have endurance as well"

"I was an idiot for having expectations!"

Shit! Can you say something about what to do in this situation.

Well, Altria-san is my test supervisor, so I know I can't ask for help.

"Gururururu …… Uon!"

When I was desperately running away while worrying about the garden, Milk-chan suddenly jumped.

"Uooo!?"

I managed to avoid it by twisting my body, but I wonder why Milk-chan jumped at me?

……I don't want to think about it, Milk-chan….. It can't be, do you want to kill me?

“Gururururu ……”

“Waa …… It’s intimidating me……”

Her eyes are bloodshot. She’s growli~ing. Scary~y.

However, because I dodged her previous attack, she’s looking at me while maintaining distance.

Heck, is Milk-chan really a dog? That’s absolutely wrong, no?

Since such a thought crossed my mind, I activate [Advanced Appraisal] on Milk-chan.

“Snow Wolf Lv: 180”

“I knew it was a wooooooooooolf!”

Adrianna-san you liar! Isn’t it completely a wolf! What’s more, with a high level!

Since walking a wolf is outside my predictions, I ask help from Altria-san.

“Altria-san, Milk-chan is not a dog you know!? It’s a wolf!”

“I can see that”

“You knew it!?”

“Of course. To begin with, does it matters whether Milk-chan is a dog or a wolf? It’s the same dog family”

“It’s completely different! It’s attacking me like crazy! In the first place, isn’t it unreasonable to walk a wolf!?”

“It isn’t impossible. And aren’t you doing it properly?”

“it’s a different from the walk that I know!”

“Try your best. Anything is experience”

“Quite the convenient words!”

The word experience I think is too cunning. Especially for beginners.

The result of asking for help, a decent answer did not come back.

“Oh I forgot, in the case you get eaten, protect your head”

“At that time, help me!”

To my tsukkomi, Altria-san wears a charming small devil-ish smile.

…… Wow so cute.

At first she didn’t smile at all, so like this that she smiled honestly make me happy. (TL: I see…. You sure you won’t make the receptionist Eris-sama your second heroine? This Maso MC…)

As I was having such a thought looking at Altria-san, Milk-chan who was looking at me took the chance and jumped at me,

“Guruu~on!”

“Wah!?”

Since she jumped so naturally, I was a second late to react, but I still managed to dodge somehow.

Well, even if it hit me its unlikely that it will do any damage but…… When you are avoiding things, make sure to avoid them well. I will be in trouble if I get in a pinch and my body won’t react.

“The next stage of chasing, is the combat……”

There is not a trace of the walk I know. Walk going wherever. I think this killer walk should not exist.

Moreover, this unfair battle where I am caught dodging in a one-side tag game. If I attacked Milk-chan…… Let’s stop thinking about it. What happens after that, everyone will be happy if they don’t know it.(TL: This is about the Slime trauma.)

As I had an stiff expression, with cold sweat flowing out, Adrianna-san came to the garden.

“Seiichi-san and Milk-chan sure are having fun!”

“You are joking!”

Do you see this situation as fun!? You should go to the ophthalmology!

…. Ah this is another world. There is no ophthalmology……

“Altria-chan, I brewed tea, want some?”

“Oh, I will help myself”

“It can’t be Tea Time!?”

Even though I am desperate here!

I couldn’t do my dreamed walk! And the collar you gave me at the start is useless!

“Daa ah ah ah! If it come to this…… I’ll be your opponent with my all! Come, Milk-chan!”

“Gururururu …… U~ooon~tsu!”

I threw away the collar that was in my hand, and spread my hands as if to accept Milk-chan.

Then, while I was like that, milk-chan jumped at me. そして、ミルクちゃんはそんな俺に対して、飛び込んでくるのだった。

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“Huh, huh, huh!”

“Ha! Ha! Ha!”

Milk-chan and I were lying down in Adriana’s house garden.

I who became desperate, played with Milk-chan at my best. That’s why; I ignored the request to walk her.

Being chased by Milk-chan, dodging or parring her attacks, without realizing it, the sky turned red.

Thinking it really carefully, I don't think this was a game at all between I and Milk-chan. Because it was me that is proud of my monstrous stats, I could treat it like a game, but normal people would die.

But, as a result of the exchange between I and milk-chan that from the perspective of others would be life threatening, surprisingly, in my heart appeared a feeling of having fun.

Of course it is not an M constitution, it was like the freshness after you've genuinely enjoyed sport.

"Oioi…… Seiichi, you, what type of physical strength do you have……"

"Truly, When I made the request, I didn't think that you could stand toe to toe with Milk-chan"

Se,seriously….. Furthermore, that's not something that Adrianna-san should say.

"To begin with……. I got confidence in my stamina….."

I somehow answered it even while breathing errantly.

"No, even so it's weird …. Milk-chan attacks, you have been parrying them?"

"…… Survival instinct had been …… Fully activated"

“…… How …… desperate were you.”

You girls be prepared!…… That’s what I thought, but they didn’t come from my mouth.

Whatsmore, I was so impatient in order to not let my status know. Being appraised is a direct OUT. Such stats were no good.

But exactly by being so desesperate, I was able to cheat Altria-san

“Well, it’s fine, thanks to Seiichi-san, a Milk-chan enjoyed it so much”

So said Adrianna-san with a smile.

She sends such a smile that is filled with poison,and Milk-chan that seemed to recover, approached me.

Then, she licked my face thoroughly.

“Uwa~tsupu! Wai-!” (TL: This is Seiichi trying to said wait while having his whole face licked by a 5 meter wolf)

It was surprising to be licked suddenly in the face, but I somehow held the hood that was about to come off.

“My, my! To Milk-chan to open her heart to someone other than myself…..”

Looking at me with a face sticky with drool, Adriana-san spilled those words.

“Please wait a minute. Then, what about the people who had been taking care of Milk-chan until now …?”

“They did not open her heart at all. All the people didn’t come the next day…. So I wonder if they got hurt?”

No wonder! I think they definitely got hurt!

“Dead or serious injuries didn’t come out, it’s all right!”

“No, no No, no! Please give more thought about the employees!”

They were betting their life!

While feeling sympathy to the people that I do not know the face, the fact that I have been liked by the dangerous Milk-chan gave me a sense of accomplishment in secret.

Depending of the request and the effort, both the sense of accomplishment and a sense of fulfillment will be different

I, realising something obvious, asked the thought I just had.

“Thinking about it…… Where did Milk-chan and Adrianna-san meet?”

Milk-chan is strong and high level. That’s why, it seems strange that Adrianna-san who is a normal person to have her in this place as a pet.

To my question, Adrianna-san told me the answer with a smile.

“It isn’t that big of a story. Due to my husband’s work we went to a

certain snow country. While we were in that country, I met the puppy Milk-chan wounded…… She didn't have parents, so after treating her injuries we took her back.

"Hee……"

The being called monsters, if they are touched by human kindness they can befriend humans.

This fact,I wonder if is the Bellfille teachings that Altria-san was talking about?

Well, even if it isn't, it just worked in reality.

"Then, with this my request is done…… Now, to get the reward"

From her purse, Adrianna-san passed me a heavy bag, I used both my hands to receive the gab feeling its weight and answered fast.

"……Eh?"

It may be rude, but I instinctively checked the inside of the bag, and muttered that.

That's because, a large amount of silver and copper coins are packed in the bag.

"Th, This is……"

"Like I said, the reward, take it please"

"Eeeeeh!? Isn't it too much!?"

"Is fine, this. Furthermore, Seiichi-san worked hard this time. My evaluation was very good, so please take this"

I intended to return the large amount of money, but Adrianna-san refused it.

Iya, certainly I worked hard……But isn't it a bit too much? Are there around 90 coins of both silver and copper?

As I was confused by the ridiculous amount, Altria-san said to me.

"It's a reward given by the customer. Don't you think that rejecting it is rude? So take it"

"If, if you say so…"

As Altria-san said so, and it's rude to return it, I will obediently receive the reward.

"Fufufu. Being obedient is nice. In addition, when I do the request again, at that time can I count on you?"

"Ah……Yes!"

In response to my answer, Adriana-san was all smiles.

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Upon exiting from Adrianna-san house, we headed to the orphanage in order to go to pick Saria.

"I am glad Seiichi. Didn't you just make one customer"

"A customer?"

"That's right, For a adventurer who did a good job, it's possible to the customer to appoint it personally. By that way of making a relation of mutual trust, it's possible to get a stable income. That's why the

customers are an important stat of a first class adventurer”

“Indeed……”

The things that Altria-san said are really a great help. Altria-san also said that to get a daily income, it is important to do other works besides being a adventurer,

“Then, we arrived but……”

While having such an exchange, we reached in front of the orphanage.

Then, Altria-san entered the church without hesitation.

When she entered and called, the ones that appeared are the director of the orphanage Claire-san and the apron wearing Saria.

“Ah, Seiichi!”

“Ara Altria-san. Is Seiichi-san’s job done?”

“Yes, it is finished.Then, we came to get Saria but…… How was Saria?”

“Fuu……”

To Altria-san question, for some reason Claire-san closed her eyes.

That look, as if saying “Such a stupid question” I wonder why.

Then—-

“Perfect! Excellent! Too excellent!”

“”……””

To the suddenly high tension Altria-san and I were stunned.

“The snacks she made for the children were delicious, she chose the best to position to see and made sure the children didn’t get hurt when I was cleaning. She made sure to scold the children if they did bad things and she is very popular with the children!”

To make a point to Claire-san, a lot of children came from inside the church.

“Saria oneechan play with me!”

“Ah, unfair! This time play with me!

“Look look! A drawing I made!”

“Saria-oneechan toileeet!”

The children began to flock to Saria as soon as they come.

Amazing……She is truly popular. To my side Altria-san was stunned. Furthermore, Saria is not a toilet.

To us two that were surprised in front of our eyes Saria said to the children.

“Koraaa! There are visitors you know? First is greetings no?”

While saying with a gesture like a mother, the children said cheerfully hello to us, how do I say it she seem like a mother or a teacher of the nursery school and kindergarten.

“And, sorry, for today I have to say byebye to all of you”

“”“Eeeeeeeeh!”””

At Saria voice the children raise a sad voice.

“It’s fine! I will come play again……ne?”

To those words the children made a dissatisfied face but somehow understood.

“It’s fine! I will ask again for Saria in the next request!”

Then, Claire-san said so to the children. It seems that somehow Saria managed to make a customer too.

Then Claire gave a small bag of funds like Adrianna-san gave me.

Only, this is not such a big bag like mine, it was large enough to fit in one hand.

“This is the work reward,. Sorry, I wanted to give you more but this……”

“It’s fine! I got to meet everyone and played with all of them! There is no better reward than that”

Claire-san was thrilled from Saria words. We did not leave for a while,and that showed the child-like appearance of Saria. But, well I think I have a childish side as well.

“Thank you Saria-chan! And, when I put a request again can you take it again?”

“Of course!”

When Saria answered cheerfully to the words of Claire-san, we left the orphanage.

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“Look, this is the reward for demolishing the building”

When we return to the guild surrounded in chaos, Eris-san was giving the reward to Altria-san.

As expected, the more dangerous the job, the better the money you receive, I am lucky to have received so much money from Adrianna-san no matter how dangerous that was.

“Hahahahahahaha! The first request…… It seems you did it well!”

“Thank you for your work”

Eris-san and Gassur-san, came to the place we were. ……That bastard Gassur, is he working properly?

“When it comes to adventurers, the hunting type are more famous because of the high reward. But, this time you guys took one of the chores as your job. So did you get this time’s request?”

“Yes”

“Un!”

To Gassur’s unexpectedly serious words, Saria and I answer readily.

It can be an ordinary work, but it’s still admirable. Thinking it is useless because it is ordinary is bad…… No matter what the job you got is its very

important to do it seriously.

To our immediate answers Gassur-san opened his eyes for a second surprised, before speaking with a gentle smile.

“I see! If you got it is fine! My muscles are happy!”

As always I don’t get it.

Even though we finally got a rare serious atmosphere, in the end we returned as always.

As I was surprised by Gassur, Eris-san was passing me and Saria a palm sized white plate.

“This is, a provisional Guild card, for the people that are not fully registered. Though it is provisional, it works as an ID card, so please don’t lose it, ok?” (TL: They are registered but I think the author know well the pain in the ass that are memberships, you are not properly a member until you don’t get the “card” so that’s what Eris-sama means the register is done)

Looking at the white plate I received, in the front ‘Provisional Guild Card’ is written in simple style..

“Then, now that your chore quest is done, how about tomorrow you start with a collection quest?”

“Aa……Ahh”

“N? What happened?”

After answering to Gassur words, I realized one thing.

“We, don’t have a place to stay……”

“So it’s like that…… So want to come to my place then?”

“Eh?”

It’s a first class Inn with reasonable price, security is good, and the food is delicious”

“Let’s stay there”

We accepted Altria-san invitation immediately. It’s not because the delicious food it’s not! Ah, it’s the result of thinking about safety!

While thinking such a thing, Eris-san and Gassur-san ere looking at Altria-san, with eyes wide opened, Why?

“Nja, Then let’s go fast. I am tired……”

“Eh? Ah……please wait a bit!”

While thinking , I was tilting my neck in doubt, when Altria-san went out of the guild.

If we get separated here then we don’t know where is the inn, so I and Saria exchanged greetings with Eris-san and co. and dashed after Altria-san.

“Eris-kun. Altria-kun invited them to the same inn”

“Y,yes…… If it is the same Altria-san then she would have them introduced to an inn, in another place…… Did something happen?”

“Umu……Well, this is going in a good direction. My muscles are happy”

“Well, let’s work”

“Are? Lets?”

We had no way of knowing it, that such such an exchange occurred after leaving the guild.

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“Here is the inn I stay at.”

“Oh ……”

The place we were lead to was an inn, which has a tag with “Tree of Peace” written.

It doesn’t look flashy, and is in a good position – the distance to the guild is perfect,

“Go rent a room, hurry up”

“Ah, yes.”

When we enter the inn, it’s very lively inside.

It’s not very wide, but it got the just perfect feeling for a lot of reasons.

As we were looking the surroundings, a lone woman approached us.

“Ara? Welcome back, Al-chan”

“……Oh?”

Al, Al-chan? I wonder if is a nickname?

While we were tilting our necks from the woman words, she seemed to notice Saria and me.

“Un? And these people are?”

“These are rookies that I was the supervisor of the exam. Prepare a room for this two”

“Maa, that Al-chan. Right now we are full and only have just one two-person room…… is that fine?”

Even thought sharing a room with a girl is bad in many ways, When we travelled to Telvier we slept together all the time, so I don’t really care.

That’s why, Saria and I express or agreement.

“It’s not a problem”

“I am okay!”

“Then how many days are you gonna stay?”

“Let’s see…… For the time being rent it us for a month”

“I understand, then, that will be 50 silver coins, is that fine?”

At this time, one month is fine, it seems there is not really any difference in the moon based month here and the earth. Wait, wasn’t 10 silver coins enough to live for a year according to god’s knowledge? 50 silver coins should let me live for around 5 years.

It’s the knowledge got from something in the past? (TL: Let me explain. This idiot here is in the IMPERIAL CAPITAL in any other manga or novel the source of corruption and place from nobles, so its common sense that in the capital everything is more expensive,just pick any game, novel, manga, and in the capital the inn is always more expensive.) ……Anyway, since I am completely fine financially, I take 50 silver coins from the item box.

“Ah, it’s completely fine. Here”

“Yes, I received it. Ah, my name is Fina. This place is managed by my husband, daughter and me us three. It’s a pleasure?”

“I am called Seiichi. Etto…… It’s a pleasure to meet you”

“I am Saria desu! Please take care of me”

“Seiichi-Kun and Saria-chan. Then lets me explain the inn briefly. There are 3 meals a day. The time is not fixed, When you are hungry, my husband will make a meal, the dining room is empty…… So let’s have you meet everyone. Darling! Can you come here for a moment!?

The husband…… I wonder what type of person he will be? A bearded man or maybe an ossan?

Although my concept is biased, that image is strong in my mind.

Then, Fina-san, is a very beautiful woman, Un?….. I wonder if inn keepers being beautiful is common sense?

Either way, at this point I completely imaginated Fina-san husband as a total Macho.

However, my imagination was shattered in an instant.

“Did you call?”

“Ah,there you come, this two are the ones that will be stopping at our inn for a while”

“I see…… I(boku) am the one in charge of the meals Lyne. Pleased to meet you?”

“Eh? Ah……Yes. Etto…… I am Seiichi”

“I am Saria!”

The Husband that Fina-san introduced—— It's a refreshing ikemen.

Wearing an apron, he was the very image of an ikemen in earth.

Who was it? That decide that the inn husband was an ossan? Isn't Lyne-san a complete ikemen?

"Seiichi-kun and Saria-chan too, when you are hungry do tell me ok? By the way, 3 meals are included but if you want a four you got to pay it. Be careful ok?"

I see. I am happy being able to eat anytime I want.

Heck, everything Lyne-san do is refreshing.Ikemen are unfair.

"Yes yes, there is no bath, but if you want to clean yourself with a towel ask me, the same with cleaning and washing clothes, tell me and I will do it"

As I was getting jealous of ikemen on my own, Fina-san said so. (TL: just look at a fucking mirror!)

That's amazingly inconvenient. But, I got the Life magic "wash" so I should be fine.

"Then, here. The room keys. When you go out please give them to me. Now my daughter will lead you"

Fina-san give me the key, a 301 was written it.

"The room next to mine"

So, Altria-san said in a mutter.

“Well, if you had any trouble come to my room”

“Thank you so much!”

Un, Altria-san is a good person.

As I was impressed by Altria-san kindness, a single girl came from the back of the inn.

“This child is our daughter, Mary”

“The new visitor’s yes!? Best regards!”

“I am Seiichi. Regards”

“I am Saria! Nice to meet you.”

Mary has green hair tied in a pony tail and red eyes. As expected from Lyme-san and Fina-san child she is an amazing bishoujo.

Age wise she seems to be like me…… but it’s true, a child born from a marriage between a pretty man and a pretty woman, will be pretty as well.

“Then follow me! I will lead you”

When we are following Mary, Mary stops suddenly, and pointed to a certain location.

“This is the dining hall. Dad is always working here, when you are

hungry come here ok?”

Mary continued easily explaining about the inn .

Certainly it is easily explained, I understand everything easily.

There shouldn’t be much age difference, but Mary is properly working.

Thinking about such a thing, at some point we stopped at a certain room.

“This is Seiichi-san and Saria room”

“This is……”

“ Mom should have explained about the inn, but if you don’t understand something feel free to come and ask me! Then, I got more work to do so byebye”

“Thanks”

I say so to Mary, and Mary went away with a smile.

“Then, it’s time I go back to my room and rest. Good night”

“Ah, good night”

“Night!”

Altria-san gave a yawn as an answer, and went to the room next to ours”

“Well, let’s enter our room as well”

“Un!”

When we open the door with the key, and enter inside a big space open

our eyes.

There are properly two beds, there are chairs and tables too.The facilities are pretty good.

Looking around, Saria who was beside me made a big yawn.

“Fuaaaa……”

“What’s wrong? Tired?”

“Well…… A bit……”

“But we still didn’t have a dinner”

“I don’t have the stomach…… for such a thing”

“That so…… then let’s sleep?”

“Un……”

Saria while rubbing her eyes, went to a bed and fell dramatically to the bed,.

After a while a quiet sleeping breath is heard.

“……. She was very tired”

I certainly had been running around all the day, but Saria too against the kids it’s tiring in a lot of ways.

I who is worried about Saria that fell dramatically.

Took a blanket and used “wash” on her before covering her.

“Huumm……Seiichi……”

Saria who call my name sleep, calmly, but very clearly said it.

“Seiichi……I love……”

That murmur, I heard it and went deep red to the ears.

You, go as far as to dream with me……

That fact couldn’t be more embarrassing, but the feeling of happiness couldn’t fill more of my chest.

“……good night, Saria”

I muttered finally, and went to sleep without even having a dinner.

Conversation

“Please wait here for a moment.”

I, Takamiya Shota, went to a certain place with all the students in the school.

We were summoned to this world, all of the students have calmed down at their own pace…and, we have spoken to the humans that have summoned us…

Those guys who summoned us were wrapped up in robes that have only been seen in games and mangas while each having a staff in their hands. The magicians appeared to be unpleasant.

At first, each representative did a self-introduction with each other, thereafter, for reasons unknown, the teachers were taken to another place by the people in robes.

For that reason, there is now only students in this place. Where on Earth have they been taken to?

“Well…what are we to do waiting here?”

“Probably, we would be taken to meet the king that summoned us”

The one to answer Kenji's murmur is the always calm and collected Kannazuki-senpai.

As Kannazuki-senpai said, at the place where we were made to wait, there is a large wooden door with an elaborate design present in the room before our eyes.

There is a person of high status inside, the feeling is amazing.

The road before arriving at the door is adorned with vases and pictures displayed high up. In a world where electricity probably does not exist and the chandelier are also not lit up ordinarily by the fire of candles, the solution to light is probably the so called "magic".

After thinking about this and that, Kannazuki-senpai said in a clam voice.

"It is inconsequential who we meet from now on. But, above all else, I am worried about the teachers."

To say that whatever happens is inconsequential…but, as one would expect from the daughter of the Kannazuki group who muttered this, she is probably already used to meeting with big shots. She is completely not showing any nervousness.

While predicting what will occur from now on with each other, a person to guide us appeared again.

"I'm sorry to have kept you waiting. From now on our Heroes-sama shall

meet the king. I sincerely ask you to not act carelessly."

As the man said so, the door before our eyes opened.

The surrounding was filled with a tensed air.

Similarly, I am also tensed.

It has to be an important person akin to Kannazuki-senpai to not be tensed in a place like this.

"So then, this way..."

We, as urged by the man, set our foot into the room.

When I went inside, the spectacle of a gorgeous palace, like those in stories jumped into my view.

In the innermost area, there is a person sitting on a pointlessly luxurious chair and to the left and right were people dressed in garments similar to that of aristocrats in stories.

The one sitting on the chair is the king, and those to the left and right are his retainers? Further in the rear there are people fully equipped with armour of tough silver.

Like that, at the strange spectacle which would not be seen on Earth, all

of us are speechless with the exception of Kannazuki-senpai and several other students. Heck, Kannazuki-senpai really has some courage doesn't she. To be observing the surroundings so calmly.

As it is, we were prompted by the man in robes to follow him.

Then, at last, we arrived in front of the person considered to be the king.

"Well then all of you. Kneel, and bow your heads. In the presence of the king."

When the man in robe abruptly told us to do such a thing, we tilted our head to the side in doubt, feeling a slight sense of resentment and also other various feelings. By the way, I am in the latter.

While the group of us were tilting our head in doubt, it took us some time to understand the abrupt words.

Such a thing…to be summoned without permission, and I have to lower my head…isn't that funny?

While secretly cursing, I shifted my attention to the one before my eyes who is called the king.

Grey hair and blue eyes. With a single glance one could tell that this middle-aged man is different from a Japanese.

I don’t care very much about the appearances of the other world I am summoned to, but I do not like the atmosphere scattered around of being looked down upon.

While I was having such an impression on my own accord, one of the aristocrat by the sides of the king raised his voice.

“In the presence of the king! Bow your head!”

What is this guy talking about? Does he not know that we were summoned as [Heroes] unwillingly?

The students other than me who felt the same thing frowned upon his words.

Then, Kannazuki-senpai who has kept silent till now opened her mouth and spoke as the student’s representative to the king.

“I’m really sorry. Because we do not know of the etiquette in this sort of place, please do pardon us.”

We opened our eye’s wide in surprise at the abrupt words Kannazuki-senpai had spoken while lowering her head to the people around who we are not pleased with.

Then, Kannazuki-senpai looked back at us suddenly.

“As of now it seems we can do nothing but follow them. We have

neither assets nor power in this world. I do not want to meaninglessly provoke the other party and lower our chances at survival. Let's lower our head silently."

When Kannazuki-senpai said so in a small voice, those who heard her reluctantly followed Kannazuki-senpai instructions.

The people who did not hear Kannazuki-senpai's voice also lowered their heads when those who heard her did.

...Seriously?

While everyone did not hear what was said, due to the unforeseen circumstances, everyone gradually bowed their head rapidly, finally resulting in everyone kneeling.

While in such a state, I secretly glanced at the king who is before my eyes.

Then, the king snorted his nose as if our actions were natural and stood up.

"To save my country, Heroes were often summoned. Though it is natural to say that this is natural, I will say my thanks for the time being. You have received my gratitude, it is okay to weep gratefully."

While obviously looking down on us, the king, who said so clearly isn't having the attitude expected of a guy who is saying his thanks. In the first place they summoned us without any permission.

To begin with, why should we be thanking you, you should be thanking us.

"I dislike pointless talks. I'll give an order to you right away. The content of the order to you bastards is only one. Subjugate the Demon King who is threatening this world. And that's it. Fortunately, the Demon King is now in a state with no power at all. By the time the Demon King truly revives, it should take at least four years. However, nonetheless there is the unchangeable fact of the revival of the Demon King, the demons and devils have increased in activity. Therefore, it's you bastards' turn."

Indifferently, the king before our eyes starting talking about the absurd order.

Order you say? To what extent is he going to make light of us? This ossan…

Moreover, it takes four years for the Demon King to be truly resurrected…with all that time, why were we summoned to subjugate the Demon King at such an early time. From the start, they have only been thinking about themselves.

When I somehow managed to subdue my boiling anger, the figure of Kannazuki-senpai who is kneeling down in the same way as us standing up could be seen.

Kannazuki-senpai, who is our childhood friend, is using cold eyes filled with disdain from the bottom of her heart to look at the ossan…king, which we had never seen before though we had been friends with her

since young.

Sca, scary…Because I am not an M, I felt nothing but fear.

While been fearful of Kannazuki-senpai in my mind, I felt signs that some students who were similarly knelt on the ground were standing up.

“Stop joking around! Why is an idiot of an ossan like you giving me an order to have to do something!”

“Honestly, I don’t understand the meaning.”

“That’s right! A world without entertainment can eat shit! My mobile phone can’t be used!”

“…Is there a problem?”

“Iya iya, what Airi said is important. We are super modern present day students. Wait, rather than entertainment is there make-up?”

“…Doesn’t Rumi not wear make-up?”

“Maaa. It isn’t essential. But skin care goods are necessary. There are also the nails.”

A famous group of girls in our school has also stood up.

Moreover, by famous I don't mean it in too much of a nice meaning.

The first voice raised belong to Nojima Yuka, she is a half Japanese half English, carrying both the characteristics, straight blond hair reaching to her waist, altered school uniform rolled up at the sleeves, and donning a biker gang jacket. By the way, at the chest part of the uniform, what seems to be a white bandage can be seen. Probably bleached cloth…like those in the manga.

I do not remember what the team name was, but she is a considerably famous Lady President.

Moreover, she is a great beauty, adding onto her position of a Lady President, she tends to have a distance between her and the surrounding.

Next is the quiet Shimizu Noa, short black hair, blue eyes under the tip of the fringe, she is a beauty equal to Nojima. Unlike Nojima who wears flashy altered clothes, Shimizu wears fairly casual clothes, with pierced earrings worn ordinarily.

Shimizu, with such an appearance, is a very famous world model. For this reason, despite wearing causal clothes, coupled with her slender figure, she looks amazing without having to dress up stylishly.

This Simuzu, is one of the girl who is in the same clique as Nojima. I remember that while we were in the same class in the first year, she would normally fiddle with her mobile phone while in class or play truant with Nojima.

And thus I have said an irrelevant thing, the ones who retorted against Shimizu is Seto Airi.

About Seto, she has the atmosphere of a girl, but she is not of Nojima's beauty without make-up.

Although she wears flashy accessories, she is an amusing girl when talking, she is in the same clique as Nojima and is on good terms with the other girls.

Though Nojima and Shimuzu have the atmosphere of a lone wolf, Seto is able to easily fit in with the two of them without any difficulty.

The last girl to speak is Awakawa Rumi. Different from Seto, she is a perfect girl.

Her hair is brown while being wavy and loosely hanging. As Simizu says, she does not seem to use any make-ups at all. Such a beauty…this girl has such high specs eh?

Though there is no deeper meaning to me so to speak, but she is different with Shimizu and Seto, she wears the uniform while being conscious of dressing up stylishly.

Though I am calmly profiling the ones who suddenly stood up, I actually cannot do so.

If we do not get Nojima to be silent one way or another, we might get killed in this place.

I hope that a hero summoning can only be performed once in many years…

As far as that goes, this is the behaviour of the so-called delinquent girls group, their habitual messing around keeps the guys away from them completely. I, myself am a good for nothing so to speak. They are strong girls.

Wait…now that we are in a different world, their ways may be considerably different from ours.

When thinking about that sort of things, the bald ossan who seems to be a senior retainer lost his temper at Nojima's attitude as I thought.

"Know your position! You are in the presence of the king!"

"Shut up! Stay out of this you baldie!"

"Wa, baldie?!…even though I tried to care…"

Ah, the bald ossan obviously got depressed. Don't mind it.

I sympathized slightly with the bald ossan who was turned down flatly.

Although his companion is being pitiable, the ossan king reclined on his throne cockily and snorted his nose.

“It’s fine. I guess you have some complaint? I will give you special permission. Speak.”

“Well then I won’t hesitate to say it…return us back to our original world!”

“That’s true. We didn’t have a choice and were forced by some unknown voice to come to another world, now we have to defeat the Demon King? …you must be joking.”

“I do not know what is going on, but I’m sorry for the trouble.”

“Demon king you say, after all it must be Dra*** Quest no?”

“…Airi will be silent”

…yeah, this is seriously screwed up.

Thanks to Nojima I had some time to look around at the surrounding students, most people including Kenji are dumbfounded. Kannazuki-senpa remains the same as before.

Anyway, it is good that the tension came loose somewhat. It was also found out that Seto is a fool.

Despite the stupid remarks of Seto, the King continued to uphold his condescending attitude.

"Though you have said a lot, but you bastards do not have the right to choose. You bastards should look at the back of your left hands."

As it was said, I dropped my sight to the back of my left hand. Everyone else including Nojima also looked at the back their left hands.

When I looked at the back of my left hand…there is nothing different in particular. What is supposed to be on the back of our left hands?

"On the back of the left hands of you bastards, the effect of slavery to make you work as a soldier of my country, [Crest of Subordination] has been engraved. How is it, can it now be understood that you cannot oppose us? It's a shame."

……

Am I being strange? There is nothing engraved on the back of my left hand?

For the time being, I looked around the surrounding of the back of my left hand, and nothing was drawn as expected.

And, it seems that Nojima is the same————

"…crest? There is nothing drawn right?"

"…That's right"

"I was thinking it was a tattoo…but there's nothing"

"Eeh?! I was hoping it would be cool looking! Was it a lie?!"

Leaving aside the remark of Seto, it seems that nothing seem to have been drawn or carved on the back of anyone's left hands.

I, who was also able to confirm it, returned my eyes to the king.

"Eh, really?"

Then, the feeling thus far of been looked down upon vanished and the king opened his eyes wide and said such words.

Eh…the king's actual attitude came out? This feeling is somehow casual…

The king blink his eyes many times over, and glanced at the back of our left hands.

After a short while, when the king understood that the crest is really not carved on the back of our left hands, he called for the old man in robes who was standing close-by.

"Nee nee, why has the crest not appeared? What now? Isn't it bad? What happened to my good speech? Nee, are you okay? You are okay right?!"

The king is unbelievably impatient. What happened to the atmosphere of being looked down upon so far?

The grandpa in robes with a mantle who the king asked for help from looked at the king with a refreshing smile and bluntly said.

"Unexpected!"

"Are you kidding meeeee?!"

What goes around comes around! The king is now floating an expression of despair. It really is miserable.

"It, it's somehow…grandpa you idiot!" (TL note: there is supposed to be

a もん(mon) after grandpa which is a Japanese slang to express dissatisfaction, normally when young girls are whining, that is the material)

Why do you know the material? This completely hopeless king. There is no salvation.

Nojima and the other students were dumbstruck by the sudden conversation that abruptly unfolded.

As for Kannazuki-senpai, when I turned my eyes to her, even with things like this, she is still gazing with cold eyes. Stop! The king's life points is at 0!

"It can't be helped my king. I'll use my trump card."

The grandpa also played along with the farce of the king.

"Taratatattata~! Hostage~!"

A stupid thing was smoothly said?! Is your mouth too lonely without the sound effect! Moreover that's Do**emon! Do you really know what you are doing?!

While we were dumbfounded in surprise, the grandpa said somethings to the soldier who was nearby, the solder nodded and took off in a hurry.

After a while, the soldiers brought back something like a crystal in a

few minutes.

“In the case that the Heroes disobey our orders…will they lose their lives?”

While saying so, the grandpa in robes hold up his hands over the crystal and to our surprise, completely unlike the scientific and technological Earth, an image emerged in the air.

The projected image floating in the air was of teachers in a state of captivity in what looks to be a prison.

“Na…”

“…”

I involuntarily uttered a voice and Kannazuki-senpai took on a stern continence.

“Are they companion of yours? I wouldn’t like to do such a thing, but in the case that you do not obey an order, then it seems they would have no choice but to die.”

We could not respond to the words told to us by the grandpa in robes.

Disregarding us, the grandpa in robes continued.

“Maa, in the case that you desert them, it is fine…however, do you have the way to return to your original world? If you do not obey our orders, there might be unnecessary killings. By the way, other than us who summoned you guys, there no other way you can return to your original world.”

“?!”

In other words, whether we can return to the original world or not is in the hands of these guys.

This is a very effective hand that he has played…

I want to go home, but the method to go home is that I can do nothing but obey this guy’s orders.

However, it would probably not be the same place for us when we return. Certainly, I think it was said that memories concerning us was erased…

Before coming to this world, a voice who called himself god said so through the speaker.

But, there is no meaning to think about it anyway as long as we cannot return to Earth.

Son of a bitch…I’ve touched onto a painful subject.

When Nojima and everyone including me are floating a bitter expression, Kannazuki-senpai stood up at this time.

"————in other words, if we want to return to our original world we have no choice but to obey you?"

"It is as you say."

After having heard that brief comment, Kannazuki-senpai scowled at the grandpa in robes.

"Heretic..."

"Ha? Why are you getting angry? It seems the idea of a Hero in this world has not been understood?"

Towards the remark which rubs a person the wrong way, anger exploded in all of us.

As for Nojima, she seemed ready to strike any moment, Shimizu is next to her soothing her.

"Even though you Hero-dono's physical ability seems to be weak now, you will likely become strong when trained. Because you will have such powers, I guess there is nothing to fear?"

Though the grandpa in robes says such a thing, but for us who have spent our days in peaceful Japan, it is unreasonable to have us change

and defeat the Demon King suddenly.

I don't know about bugs, but there is not one person here who had even killed a dog or cat intentionally.

But the words of the grandpa were enough to move the hearts of other students.

"Cer, certainly..."

"Aren't we the heroes? Then we will be strong?"

"If that's so, then isn't it all right?"

"In the end when we kill the Demon King can't we return?"

The students uttered optimistic remarks about the Demon King subjugation in succession.

Is it really alright? Though we are not Seto but are we still feeling that this world is similar to a game like Dra*** Quest?

"O, oi...isn't everyone too optimistic?"

Kenji who is near to me says so to me.

"Maa...if there is no method to return to Earth other than relying on

these people, there seems to be no other choice then to subjugate the Demon King. Moreover, it seems we can acquire strong powers."

"Isn't that kind of simple?

"Well I don't know."

In this country, we are only considered chess pieces. Perhaps, if we can subjugate the Demon King safely, we might be able to avoid killing or be killed.

However, if we do not obey this country for the time being, we would have no future.

As I was thinking about such a thing, I suddenly looked to Kannazuki-senpai.

Hereupon, Kannazuki-senpai seems to be having a difficult expression, she seems to be worried about something.

Kannazuki-senpai might also have thought of the same idea as me…

While the students were filled with various thoughts swirling around, the king once again took on a condescending attitude as if the shaken up appearance earlier was false and announced.

"Fuunn. Maa, any further discussion is useless. The matter of you bastards subjugating the Demon King is absolute. Since you bastards are

the heroes. You are permitted to spend your time in the rooms in this castle. You don't have to thank me. And, I will train you immediately from tomorrow onwards for the Demon King Subjugation. That's all, disperse."

After saying such things one-sidedly, the king stood up from the throne and was about to leave.

"Wa, please wait! The talk is not finished!"

When Kannazuki-senpai raised her voice at such a one-sided decision, the soldier in the rear simultaneously pointed their swords and spear and trusted them at us.

"...tsu!"

Kannazuki-senpai stopped her movement when the spears were trusted at us.

The king went off as is without even turning around once.

"Maa, please give it up hero-dono. The soldiers will guide you to your rooms, please have some rest today. I'm looking forward to the training tomorrow."

After saying so, the grandpa in robes left straight away.

After that, the retainers left as well.

We students were left behind with soldiers still having their spears thrusted at us. And at the rear there is a middle-aged man in armour standing with his eyes shut and arms folded.

The man with his arms folded has a different atmosphere different to that of the soldiers.

Such a man said to the soldier while still having his eyes shut.

"...bring the Heroes to their rooms. Do not be rough."

There is no emotion to be read from the low voice.

After we stood up when been urged by the soldiers, we were guided to the rooms where we were forcibly made to live in.

On the way, Kannazuki-senpai had a difficult face and Kenji and I was feeling uneasy about the future up ahead.

The other students seemed to have been relieved from the tension before one notices it and were taken in by the curiosity of living in a castle, no longer thinking much about the Demon King subjugation.

With the surrounding being in such a state, finally Kannazuki-senpai took a breather and Kenji and I also stopped thinking about it deeply.

For the time being, it takes four years for the complete revival of the Demon King. Though it is possible that it may revive before that, but the

probability should be low.

Then, in the meantime we might find a good way.

In the end, all members including Kannazuki-senpai left the solution to time and stopped thinking about it deeply.

Besides, we were optimistic about the Demon King subjugation some time about, thought we do not have power for the time being. We will manage somehow.

So, we consented against our wills.

————and afterwards, we learnt how much of it was an optimistic thought we had at the time was.

Chapter 25 Collecting

"Yosh, now let's show what you two collected"

I—- Hiiragi Seiichi, had accepted the "collect" quest outside the town, as a part of my examination. The quest contents are simple, one person has to collect 10 herbs growing outside the city walls and the quest is cleared. That's why, Saria and me were searching in separate places, and now we were showing it to Altria-san. Because the herbs can be found closet to the city walls, it didn't turn into a battle with demons…… normally.

"First Saria's collection…….to"

A battle shouldn't take place, while Altria-san who told us so, was for some reason kicking an attacking slime away.

……Are? Normally it doesn't turn into a fight no? We heard incident of demons should be low? Including the slime that was kicked away we encountered 20 more demons, that for some reason all attacked Altria-san. While I was thinking such a thing, Altria-san said as though looking inside my head

"Ah….. though I just got attacked now, it's not unusual so don't worry about it"

No, I am confident that no matter what demons come out I won't lose no matter what, after all…… I am a monster. Well if we are attacked by demons that come, because I don't think a bit of effort is bad, I take the

words said by Altria-san lightly. (TL:Ohh he is starting to get OP mentality as well it took long!)

"Well, I don't know why this time a slime this level came out though..."

"..... It's nothing. More importantly Saria, show me your herbs"

With a cheerful response, Saria took out the herbs she collected from the roots. Unlike the [Forest of Endless Love and Sorrow] the herbs here are of a brownish colour. Furthermore, the smell it has is refreshing.

"Yosh, as I said to you, you did pull them out from their roots"

"As Altria-san said, I have been pulling them from their roots, but only the leafs is needed to complete the request?"

To Saria's obvious question, Altria-san answered.

"That's true, but by collecting the roots as well, the herbs are kept fresh, in addition processing the medicine with the roots give nutritional and invigorating effects as well, that's why, when collecting herbs be sure to take it from the root, lastly there doesn't seem to be a lot of people that know that, but it doesn't hurt to know more no?"

Oooh, that seems adventurer-like knowledge. Using the excess parts in the field to get an unexpected benefit, that's important to adventurers.

"By the way, the most useful effect will be acquired if brewed, but

because of the tremendous bitter flavor it is not recommended”

“Then what should we do?”

“Let’s see…… The simplest is to mix it with sugar, but sugar is an expensive good. You can use a substitute honey that you can get from a “sweet flower”, then it becomes sweet and edible.”

Hmm …… for her to know such a trick, it likely that Altria-san can cook. It’s selfish imagination though.

“Well, the roots are important but, the guild quest is “herb leaf” after all, so don’t forget to take your part before you present it in the guild”

“”Waaaaaiii””

I and Saria gave a stupid answer.

“Yosh. Then, next is Seiichi turn”

“Yes! Here!”

I, present the things that I collected in front of the eyes of Altria-san. Then, Altria-san had a moment of silence seeing the things I had displayed. Finally, after looking it for a bit, she opened her mouth a little.

“…… I will hear it once, what have you collected?”

“eh? Mushrooms.”

“I can see that!”

I, held out the mushrooms to Altria-san. There are, ten.

“The test contents were to collect 10 herbs! What are you collecting mushrooms for!”

“Yadana, please look properly. It’s not just a mushroom it’s a [Magic Mushroom]”

“What are you doing with a rare mushroom!”

“That’s true”

As expected it’s was of no use. It doesn’t matter, it’s not like I picked up the [Magic Mushrooms] to show it to Altria-san. No matter how much I searched for it, for some reason the place I was at didn’t have even a single herb. I was unable to get a single one. That’s why, in exchange for that, I collected the [Magic Mushroom] that were growing up in abnormal numbers. Changing the story, the [Magic Mushroom], are a rare ingredient needed for producing an item that restores magic called a [Mana Potion].

“Iyaa…… I couldn’t find the herbs……”

“Are you kidding!? It’s easy! I saw about 20 you know!?”

Are? Weird…… I seriously tried to search properly without finding one? Then there are 20 is impossible……

“Look, Aren’t they at Seiichi’s feet!”

“Got Them!”(TL: Pokemon get them all!!) Looking carefully at Altria-san feet, there are five more. A, Are?

“In contrary you did well finding [Magic Mushroom]. Normally even trying really hard to find them is impossible to find them you know? And to find 10 of them…”

“I don’t know if I have good luck or bad luck!”

“That’s my line! Either way for not finding 10 herbs you fail!”

“Wha, What did you say!?”

No, there is nothing to be surprised.

Only, at this rate I was going to fail the test, so I quickly collected the 5 herbs. Now, I also can pass the test! …… As planned.

“Look, I properly collected”

“……And what about the 5 others?”

That's iiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiiit! The test was to collect 10 herbs! There are 5 more to go!

"I, I will go look for it!"

"Ah, oi!"

As I cry, I dashed from the spot to look for the rest of the herbs in a hurry.

"Wa, so fast, this guy what kind of leg strength does he have…… Ma more important, Seiichi! Don't enter the forest! And if you enter, don't go too far!…… Wait I can't see him already!?"

Although I felt like Altria's behind me had said something, I was at a considerably distance away, so I did not hear it well.

"……ah, aren't there 5 herbs here" After I had left from the spot, Altria-san said so with a small mutter. "You idiot!" I ran around, searching for the herbs, without being able to find even one, so I shouted in despair. Certainly I could not find even one herb, on the other hand I just found things like "detoxification grass" or "magic mushrooms".

"Somehow while searching around, I made it to a place where I can't see the figures of Altria and Saria"

After crossing one hill, the figures of Altria-san and Saria couldn't be

seen.

“Umm……Why can’t I find them? Or is looking for it bad? A while ago Altria-san just found them at her feet……”

More, let’s try to search it more carefully. I again resumed looking for medicinal herbs, when suddenly I caught sight of trees on the edge of my field of view.

“Um? That is…… a forest?”

Looking at it, it was a place where trees are overgrown and dense. Unlike the [Forest of Endless Love and Grieve], I don’t feel that ominous atmosphere at all, this is without a doubt a forest.

“I will surely find a lot of herbs in there”

So was my guess, I immediately move to the forest. Approaching the forest, I fully understood, how bad my transferred place the [Forest of Endless Love and Sorrow] was. In front of my eyes, the feeling I got for a while, was the freshness I remember.

“Well, it was full of dangerous things, but it’s the place where I attained more important things.”

I close my eyes, immersing in the sentimental atmosphere, and after a while I open them.

“Yosh, let’s start searching for it!”

With enthusiasm, it was the moment when I took one step forward. From the direction of the forest, I heard voices. It doesn’t matter, who is inside this forest, it doesn’t affect me one bit, it’s not like I didn’t meet people searching for herbs, I don’t have any interest in those people. Is it an adventurer? I wonder if they came in with a request from the Guild? Or maybe, travellers? While making various guesses I move to the place where voices can be heard. I don’t forget to look for herbs in the way. While progressing rapidly through the forest, I heard the voices of the people there. Observing them from a distance, there are 3. Furthermore, they aren’t human. For some reason, those 3 skin colour , unlike humans it’s more blueish. And more than anything, from the head of the three people, it’s growing a devil-ish horns, that human beings don’t have. Then observing them from a distance, it doesn’t seem they are arguing, or they are troubled, in contrast they seem to be having fun. For what reason, have they stopped in this forest? Taking interest in the 3 people, I got even closer.

“Bell-san, we did it at least! After installing that someone will fall for sure!”

“True”

“But…… it is fine coming to the human world on our own, ignoring Reiya-sama orders?”

“That’s true…… well, if we are found out we will be punished……”

“…… ah I remembered an urgent matter so I am going back”

“Ah, me too……”

“Running away!”

“Waaa, let me go please! I don’t want to die!”

“Idiot! I am the same! But…… if this time is a success, Reiya-sama’s punishment will be avoided, and getting promoted is not a dream!”

“Th, that’s true but……”

“Think about your family……”

“I understand that. But, just as you guys have family to protect, I have a family to protect too. Moreover, this time in my home a child is going to be born”

“Th, then why……”

“…… It is necessary to a front such a danger?”

“Fu…… I was planning on getting promoted in this strategy, and let my wife have an easier life……”

“”A, a guy like you……!”(TL: somehow I am cheering for him too……)

Ju, just what the hell is with that story? About punishment about promotions …… the second part was a mystery to me……Well, I am a stranger, it does not matter if I can't understand the contents of the story. Heck, the guy named Bell, isn't that a death flag? Are you fine? For the time being, let's ask my own question. It's not like I care for them. But, let's ask the three in front of my eyes, if they have seen some herbs?… … un, let's do that. (TL: Yes….. here comes the death flag for bell……)

It's not, like it is a pain to search them on my own! …… or so I want to think. Now that I decided I take action immediately, I show myself in front of the 3 persons that I could not follow the story that they were talking about.

"He, heey……"

Tha, that scared me…… suddenly turning and shouting in unison like that, I was surprised! It can't be helped. While I was surprised on my own, the three people confirmed my appearance, and were making surprised open eyes. Because they were showing such a reaction, in contrast I became calm. Now with a calm head, I confirm again the 3 persons in front of my eyes. One was tall and slim, the second one was like me back then fat and short. Then the middle one, you can clearly see at a glance that he has a well-trained figure. What the hell? What is with this balanced combination of unbalances. As I was looking at these 3, it was confirmed at distance but, their skin colour is blueish. Other than that they are not different from us. They don't seem like a beast tribe…… because the demon like horn they have, maybe demon race? Although it simplistic. However, it's not like we can keep looking at each other or so I thought, I will try to talk to them.

"What is a human doing in this place!?"

“It, it can’t be…… he discovered out plans!?”

“Noooooooooooooo! I don’t want Reiya-sama punishmeeeeeeeeeeent!”

Fail. I don’t know the reason. But they got nervous as soon as I tried to speak. “An, ano …… you guys just what……?” I just wanted to ask about the herbs, but now I am interested in why are these 3 are so anxious just from me speaking. Then, at my question, macho man answered.

“Fuu…… if we got found out it can’t be helped! I am the demon army 3rd platoon under the command of Reiya-sama, the leader of [Victim], Bell Jizer!”

“The same [Victim] affiliation, Bosk Dam!”

“Teri Hemt!”

“The proud Demon army Gyokusai corps——“ (TL: I am not sure about this) (ED: Gyokusai = honourable death)

“”“That’s us”””

I understand, they are only a bunch of hentais. (TL: Great deduction) As I was coming to an agreement on my own, I tried to get away. “Don’t run away!” But, I was stopped!

“Why are you nonchalantly trying to leave!”

“Iya, because……. You guys are crazy no?”

“Now he is nonchalantly being rude!?”

I think that Macho—— Bell’s unit name is worse. What the hell, [Victim]. Translated it will be “gisei-sha” no? What’s more, calling themselves the demon army Gyokusai corp… I can’t even use the word pitiful. Aren’t they just expendable pawns?

“What is with this. I am busy searching for herbs”

“Just what’s wrong with YOU!? Aren’t you the one that started the conversation!?”

That’s true. Because of Bell, I forgot about it.

“Heck, who are you!”

“I am Seiichi. Like I said earlier also, I came to this forest in search of herbs. Then, I heard your voices…… and wanted to ask if you saw some herbs, but somehow I regretted it, so I gave up on that.”

“Why did you come to the forest in search for herbs? Aren’t there a lot that way?”

After hearing my explanation, the slim man—— Bosk said.

“Because there aren’t any, it can’t be helped” (TL: There were a lot…)

“Ma, it doesn’t matter what reason you have……”

Now the fat man —- Terry spoke. Iya, what do you mean it doesn’t matter? It is a big deal for me you know?

“Seiichi…… was it? You, saw our appearance and objective…… it’s a pity, such a person, we can’t let you go alive”

E, what is he saying? [Can’t let you go alive] Wait…… they want to kill me!? (TL: aren’t you Slow)

I was surprised to the sudden situation, Terry sent a signal to his comrades. And, Bell receiving the signal, nodded once, snapped his fingers. Then, behind them, with a Zushi-zushi sound from footsteps, a 3m greenish skinned human wearing some animal fur, appeared.

“This is a Troll. To humans like Seiichi he is a B-class monster?”

“Iya, I don’t know…..”

The monster called a Troll, despite points in common to humans like the eyes, nose and mouth or the like, one by one it does not give any feeling of intelligence. The ears are a little pointy, the head is completely bald. In a hand he held a club of made from a big tree.

“Well it is fine…..Troll! Get him!”

Bell says the words like an underling of an enemy character in an old anime, it looked at me, and attacked in rage with the club.

"Ooooooooooooh!"

"Eeeeeeeeeh!? It seriously wants to kill me!? Even though this is our first meeting!? Did I do something!? There hasn't been that much time that passed since I meet them, but for some reason I ended receiving attack from a Troll. But, thanks to my own unique skill [Shingan (mind eye)], the attack from the troll seems awfully slow. Un…… crushing this is fine no? Is it ok? I don't get it at all but it's attacking me. Now that I decided to defeat the Troll in front of my eyes, a lot of ideas comes to my head. Then, let's go with the skill [Absorption] that I got from defeating the slime. I have to activate the skill at the moment the troll attacks me. I look at the club incoming, and in the end it reached me. Then, I activated the skill [Absorption]. What happened? All the power and momentum of the club that supposedly had come from the attack of the troll until now was lost, and at the same time an energy like thing keep growing more and more inside my body. That is, it keeps making laps around my body until it became a part of it.

"Ooh, I did it"

It became a situation where the troll club with no offensive power hits my head, Bell and the other two that were watching were expressionless. Looking carefully, the troll too went expressionless. But, that expressionless state soon broke out—— Seeing what happened with their eyes, they made a complicated expression with the jaw dropping open, the reality that theirs eyes were seeing surprised them. Because they had that stupid face they are truly surprised.

“Be, Bell-san….. just now the sure kill attack from the troll, connected?”

“I, it hit…… Troll, your attack hit no?” (TL note:Why are you asking a troll?)

“This is, something magic……”

“Iya, the club did hit me in the head…… there is no reason to confirm, it hit properly……”

I, continued the conversation, and with that they closed their mouth. Then, everyone looked at each other faces, and Bell for some reason with a scared face said.

“Th, th th th th this time, I will let you go!”

“Ye,ye ye yes!”

“It, it’s not like we lose! It’s just we are kind!”

“O,ooooh!?”

“We, well? Our strategy is already completed? And we got information that there is a monster like you? As result, it is our victory!”

“Tr, true!”

“No objection!”

“Then, it means—-“

Without letting me say a word, Bell and company started releasing words like a machine gun, the troll included, they took the position of the picture above the emergency doors back on Earth and then. Like that, I was left stunned, as Bell and company ran away. It doesn’t matter but, the troll…… even with that size he is fast.

“Just what happened……?”

To Bell and company who went away like a storm, I could only mutter that.

“Oh, herb ……”

And, I did not hear the location of the herbs from them.

“Oh, I finally came back!”

“Just how far did you go……”

In the end I didn’t find a single herb, when plodding back to Altria-san location, Saria greeted with a smile, Altria-san muttered with an amazed feeling.

“Un? After searching around like crazy? You couldn’t find more?”

Altria-san meant no offence. But, this works hurts so much!

“Eh? It can’t be……you……seriously?”

I am in silence, a look like she saw something impossible came at me. Can I cry?

“I tried searching very hard you know? But…… the only thing I found are [Magic Mushroom] and [Detoxification herb] I got a dozen of each……”

“It’s weird! How can you find items that are so much rarer than herbs!?”

“Please don’t ask me……”

Mou, I am half crying. Oh no, my tears are falling. At such a pathetic sight, Altria-san while going yareyare, pulled something from the bag at her waist.

“Here, I will give it to you”

Saying so she gave me, 5 more herbs.

“I found it immediately after you went to look for them. At my foot.”

“Th that ……”

Why are they growing at your feet? I, was searching for it desperately you know? Isn't It weird?

"Well, normally I wouldn't approve this type of help……but in the end, I only helped picking them up, so take it"

"Is, that fine?"

"There is no reason to hold baaack. Ma, you did try your best"

"A, Altria-san……!"

Onee-sama! Iya, nee-san…… Anego! As I was moved and looking at Altria-san, Altria-san with an embarrassed face said.

"Mo, its finished! Let's return fast!"

Saying so, Altria-san started her way back to the city, I and Saria with smiling faces, hurried after her.

“Though it’s certainly bad that we went against the rules and went to the human world, but do you really think I didn’t do this for a mission?

Oh, it isn’t really a formal mission and more like our arbitrary decision

However important information has been obtained, naturally, there is no blame for this matter

Yes, it’s all a lie,I’m sorry.

i just said a light joke. I’m seriously reflecting, so could you please pardon me!”

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Bell Giselle, also known as the leader of Zokugun and the captain of the third devil force corps was kneeling on the ground.

In front of my eyes was a woman who was gazing down at us coldly.

Long glossy purple hair that bewitches you, eyes harking of amethyst's and transparent pale skin, and proportions that any woman could not help being jealous of, if a man saw this his nose would unintentionally stretch.(no clue what the hell that means)

With her legs crossed and a dress with intense exposure…. It is dangerous in various ways.

With the woman in front of our eyes releasing such an overwhelming charm, we become the "Victims" of the Demon army's Third Squadron's captain — Reiya Faruza.

The beautiful woman's attire is beautiful, bold and overflowing with sex appeal, however we know the secret of Reiya

“Put your tongue back in your mouth…….. Shut up for a bit.”

“Hahahaha, what the heck BUHE”

“Beeeeeeeeellll”

I was suddenly blown away by the rod of air made with [Gas Magic]; Only Reiya can fire such magic so intensely.

“Bell!! It’s bad”

“Reiya is in a bad mood……!!”

“That means…….. Ah ……. again……..! (seems a whole bunch of gibberish)

I instinctively looked up at the sky to Terry and Bosco’s words. It’s because of the ringing of a familiar bell as to the reason why Reiya’s mood is bad

I talk in a low voice while having the two people wake him up

:…..With this how many people are there?”

” I am certain…….. this is the 666th person……..”

“…. Well that seems to be a really bad omen……..”

“It’s a lot of people more than…….”

“In a sense it is brave….. though we are the Demon King’s armies’……”

“That is……”

“……Do not laugh……..”

Despite the few of us who were still holding a sneaky conversation Reiya muttered a soliloquy in hate,

“What on earth…….! My what is useless?! In thinking I was a partner of destiny this time means……!”

Reiya’s secret was……. though she gave of an enormous amount of charm… she was a virgin who hadn’t even been kissed.

There was a boyfriend until now and with him that makes 666, in addition all of those are ikemen among the devil groups.

It’s not because Rieya is famous for being a peerless beauty.

Yet, I have no choice but to carry Reiya’s secret……

“Moreover, did you take him to the room?”

“So I……..”

“Why did you take him to the room? For that……. the fact is that if you bring them to that room they will run once they see that room…”

The reason Reiya always breaks up with her boyfriend. Those were all in Reiya’s room

In Reiya’s room only torture tools were put there. Things like a wooden horse and a rod of iron, usually bloody, were on hand there, with no doubt as to what it is commonly used for.

If you were taken to such a room could you endure it?

But the most troublesome thing is that Reiya seems to think that taking her boyfriend there will bring about a nice atmosphere.

…… A certain room with torture tools, if you were to ask what the mood of it was, the only reply would be…silence…

“This is bad, this is bad……! The way this is going…….! I’m going to be a virgin my whole life!?

“It’s OK! When a man gets a look at Reiya’s charm, no man can resist!”

“Then why do I keep getting dumped!!”

“It was merely consolation!”

If I told her the truth here I would have been a dead man.

“Fuu…….I was just a little distraught……so? I would like to hear the reason you went to the human world?”

Reiya who had calmed down again said as gazed coldly down at us again

However, this is a chance for me to explain why we went to the human world to Reiya, if i can do it well, the punishment from her might be lessened.

“Well to tell the truth……the reason we went to the human world was because the installation type [Metastasis Magic] has been spread”

“Metastasis magic……?”

With metastasis magic we can move from one place to another freely.

The consumption of magic gets bigger the farther you use it to travel.

This time however we made some changes to the metastasis magic, we used a technique where we only put in the exact amount of magic necessary, with this technique the magic would be able to stay on the ground and unless you moved it.

“Such a thing was installed, and what on earth would you like to do with that?”

” I thought…… we could use it to shave down the human fighting power even if just slightly”

“FUUN……..I see…….so what? Where did you set them to be transferred to?”

A detailed description was not needed as Reiya had seen through our idea in an instant. This person is really able, though she doesn’t understand boyfriends.

Anyway the reason we scatter the metastasis magic around was so that they would be transferred to a place that we had registered before so we could kill them without doing it directly.

And the place we chose to bury those people————————

“It takes them to strongest war potential that the demon king’s army boasts of, it takes them to the home of the great Obsidian Dragon in the [Labyrinth of the Obsidian Dragon god]”

“That is…….”

Reiya opens her eyes wide and was surprised to hear my words.

The Black Dragon God, if you exclude the demon king whose power was recently regained, is called the strongest devil in the demon king's army.

The White Dragon God and the Black Dragon God were on even footing till the Black Dragon God was chosen for his overwhelming strength.

"As you know the Black Dragon God can't go to the human world directly because there is a link between him and the dungeon, which even the Demon King couldn't undo……. So why not just send the people to the Black Dragon God, is what I thought."

"The thought is unimportant"

No…….. the me which came up with such a wonderful idea must be a genius!"

"Oh, it's a good idea. Most of the reasonings could be understood and even if you weren't useless and went and wasted a good portion of the demonic army's resources on this how much would it actually change the humans war potential? I wonder if you get it?"

"Oh? We are needed right?"

"……."

"SIlence!?"

It’s cruel….. Was my idea called wasteful?…….Nevertheless… I see myself as a valuable war asset…… i at least want you to withdraw the first part if possible!

“Ha……. Are you disgusted by your stupidity?”

“Reiya, Terry and I aren’t stupid.”

“I only said Bell was stupid.”

“You’re being cruel?!”

I was surprised by the betrayal from Terry and Bosco. These fellows GUFU (sound effect i believe) later……

“Anyways, it has been understood that you have setup metastasis traps. So how many traps have you set up?”

“100 traps.”

“So few”

“Eeeeeeeeeee?! So small……”

“Exceedingly insufficient!?”

” Though i had such a hard time pouring so much magic power into

them……”

Hearing the merciless words of Reiya we all crumbled to the ground.

” Which country did you even go to?”

“Oh they are near the imperial capital, Terveil”

“From a distance I could set up around a 1000 metastasis traps to the [Labyrinth of the Black Dragon God] lightly.”

“””What The Hell…..!”””

Is this…… what you call……. social disparities!?

“That objection is to cruel. Heck do we not get any praise?!”

“Weak”

” Crap! Hard!”

It was said to us so bluntly that we couldn’t even retort anymore.

“I’ve said it many times, but even if they are transferred, is our strategy all right?”

“Oh well. I understand”

We were relieved by Reiya’s words

It’s was good……just because Reiya pardoned us!”

While thinking such, Reiya suddenly showed a very attractive and beautiful smile on her face.”

“However… Rule violations were obvious…… Punishment♪”

“””NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO!?”””

It was not good. I thought that i was going to get away without any great pains. My hope was raised and then thoroughly stomped on.

“Then let’s say 500 lashes from the whip for a light warm up?”

“That’s not light at all?!”

“Shut up”

” Unjust AHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH GAFU?!”

“” BEEEEEEEEEEEEEEELLLLLLL””

Afterwords we received from the hellish punishment menu a full course meal. It was delicious.

After receiving every torture I'd be pleased if you called me a hero being able to live.

And i may have forgotten something important.

Oh……. The matter of Seiichi…… I forgot to report it……..

" Today is the last test—— The Subjugation System"

I, Hiiragi Seiichi was walking through downtown when i was told by Altria from behind me.

We had done the chore and collection system safely, so when we finished the subjugation system Saria and I would be able to become adventurers.

"What are we subjugating?"

Saria threw the innocent question to Altria from behind.

"It isn't necessary for it to be hard even a slime is ok, besides even if we go out the gate we won't immediately meet a demon, but since I'm here we will probably be done really soon."

Altria was also talking like that at the examination of the collection system……What does she mean by that……?

“Hmm, the slime is essential to subjugate anyways. Even a common slime is good and you may get a special one, anyways once you beat 10 of them the test ends. Understood?”

“”Yes.”” (Both Saria and Seiichi)

While we were walking Altria suddenly asked Saria.

“I was interested……How do you and Saria fight? I haven’t seen any weapons on Saria…… and you look like a magician but you don’t even have a cane.”

“What?”

The Saria who was suddenly asked such a question put on a blank look.

Oh i see. Altria doesn’t know that Saria is a Kaiser Kong,moreover i didn’t think to put [Fists] in the weapons space on the registration.

Then when Saria finally understood what was asked of her an innocent smile appeared on her face and she thrust out her fist.

“This!”

“……”

Altria froze behind me and stared at Saria’s fist.

And then turned her gaze to me.

“Seiichi, I only see a fist is there something invisible there or any special accessories?”

“No, the fist is the weapon.”

“Would you like to experience it?”

“No way?! It is true!!

the beautiful Saria certainly sticks out her fist and says “this is my weapon” the fact that it’s impossible to believe is understood!
But……She is a gorilla.

“Did Saria learn martial arts at some point or?”

“No.”

“…… Just beat it up?”

“What?!”

“With what?A fellow who doesn’t have any knowledge of a martial art sticks out his fist and says “This is a weapon” how would it be possible to believe that?”

“You’ll get used to it.”

“That’s the problem gahhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!”

Why is it so? But because it’s true, what can be done about it?

“Altria even if there is some emergency that happens to Saria i’ll deal with it.”

Oh dear, that seemed to solve everything even though Saria’s level exceeds 700…

“Oh, even if you say that……. well even so there are strong points and weak points in battle so at least buy a knife for self protection or something!”

Altria seems to have misunderstood Saria and thought that she doesn’t plan on becoming a combat adventurer.

To begin with in the case of a slime even a child’s fist can knock it down. When its a high level fist it’s NO joke.

While conversing we reached the gates at last.

At the gate we had to go through the same process as the time we came though for the collection system.

After Altria Arrived next to the gate keeper to do the necessary procedures we noticed a familiar face.

“Oh, Seiichi hey!!!!”

“Oh hey Claude”

“Oh! Claude! Long time no see!”

Approaching us was Claude the guard who did the procedure for when we first came into town.”

“Did you make it fine?”

“More or less. I haven’t seen you in a bit how have you been?”

Though we didn’t meet when we came through for the collection system it’s been about 3 days since we first came to the town.

“Hmm, I guess so? Anyways, what are you up to today?”

“Ah im in the final part for my test i was doing the procedures to head out and subdue some slimes.”

“……. they didn’t corrupt you did they……”

“How could they! In addition to the enthusiast and exposure muscle man, the sodomy fellow, the S&M the lolita complex and the flasher!”

“It’s a parade of criminals.”

When i express the words normally there are no respectable fellow. Even the need to do something for the guild cannot be felt right now.

“Oh, i completely understand, isn’t worth it in my mind……”

“Yes, it’s necessary to give some kind of countermeasure to the guild immediately as expected isn’t it”

“So you’re doing you test, who is the proctor for you and Saria?”

“Altria! the beautiful girl who is going through the procedures over there look!”

When claude looks towards the direction Saria stabs her finger he shows a surprised expression and immediately turned towards us again.

“That one…… is your examiner really Altria?”

“What? that is right……”

When i answered Claude seemed to be thinking about something.

And he gave a gentle smile towards us and said.

“Because she is a little different for reasons but…..Would you look out for her once the test is over?”

I didn’t know why claude said such a thing, but only one thing is certain.

“I don’t know why but…….. Altria is a good person even though we’ve only been together a short time I don’t want to be separated yet.”

“Thats right! Altria is already an important person to us?”

Claude seemed to be satisfied with the answer Saria and i gave and smiled in response.

“Is that so. Then good.”

After Claude said so Altria who had been finishing the procedure returned.

“I made you wait……. oh Claude.”

When Altria noticed Claude her eyes widened a little.

“Yes, i was just talk to Saria and Seiichi”

‘Oh? are you guys acquaintances?”

“Oh that is the case.”

When he answer, Claude has an expression on his face that is just a little wonderful and says to Altria.

“Anyway……Altria you met some good people.”

“Come again?”

To Altira when the things were suddenly said was confused.

“No, nevermind it’s not a big deal…… When you guys come back you’ll have finished your test……. Come back safe.”

“Yes”

“yes!”

“OK”

Nodding while looking satisfied Claude returned to work and we

moved on.

“Hmm, that fellow……”

Altria twisted her head around without understanding the meaning of Claude’s words and then headed outside.

“Well…… I guess we will start the subjugation……..The slime came as soon as you said.”

As soon as we were outside the gate just as altria said, a slime appeared.

While using the appraisal skill its level was 3. For beginners i guess this would be a passing level.

“I’ll bring this to an end quickly because we will still have 19 more to go. where should I start?”

“If that’s the case, go ahead.”

I confronted the slime while saying so.

Honestly i think the [Sword of Revolting Hate] and the [Sword Overflowing with Benevolence] are over kill here and might be dangerous.

Should i also knock it down barehanded? Well, but, I should practise using magic.....?

While i was thinking like this the slime didn't care at all and rushed at me without any interference.

"Seiichi! Coming!"

"Ueeee?! Yeah! Wait!"

"You can't make the slime wait!"

"I'm here! At least I'm here!"

No matter how desperately I raise the red flag..... the slime doesn't break..... it's only obvious (racing joke, Red Flag means the race is stopped for emergency reasons and everyone should just brake and stop wherever they are)

I'll soon have no choice but to use magic! There is little consumption of magic so long as I don't do something silly and shoot a huge magic, I'm going to throw a weak little magic with little consumption.

It was when i was going to shoot off my magic while confirming the slime was approaching that the skill [Mind's eye] activated and the slime slowed down.

"what?"

During the movement of the slime I'm sure I saw it slow down a lot.

Though a part of the ground just below the slime was shining and was showing the effect of [mind's eye] and while i was trying to understand the effects————the slime had disappeared.

"Ah?"

"Oh?"

Saria and Altria looked doubtful of the slime which suddenly disappeared.

"The slime ……..is gone?"

What on earth? The slime should have rushed to me certainly. where…….

I am at a loss at the mysterious event that just happened in front of all the members eyes.

Behind us Altria changed the look on her face and said.

"Oh, the one which has disappeared is worthless others will have to look for it."

Even though I'm looking for the slime which went off forever certainly, that's alright, so I'm going to look for another slime near Altria.

However after the event that this slime disappears it was I who was fighting it that is looking for the slime and why it disappeared in a moment.

Including the first slime, they totaled 99 but they became victim to the mysterious disappearance.

"What on earth happened?"

Altria also seems to be frowning at this situation.

I looked each time the slime disappears, suddenly shining phenomenon on the ground suddenly stops.

Altria may know something. Do i tell her just in case?

"Altria."

"Nn? What's up?"

"From the time that the first slime disappeared immediately before they disappeared the ground shone why is that?"

"The ground……shone?"

Once my words were heard Altria had a thought

“Ground…….disappear……surely…….”

then Altria suddenly turned around and told us suddenly.

“Seiichi,Saria the test is canceled.”

“What?”

“Why?”

“it isn’t understood but for some reason metastasis magic is scattered around here.”

“Metastasis magic?”

I tilted my head doubtful about what Altria said.

“Metastasis magic is a magic that can be registered to a place and the be used to transfer someone there, moreover when i think about what Seichi says he sees it might be installation type.”

“I’m not sure….. Well why do you think this metastasis magic is spread around here?”

“How would i know!!! Anyways back to the guild. it’s because i don’t know where we would be transferred that it needs to be investigated. If it isn’t a dangerous place that’d be good……”

It was then that Altria who told us that took one step.

and then the shine which made the slimes disappear showed beneath Altria.

“It is…….”

“Altria!?”

Altria was surprised by the sudden situation and tensed up.

In that situation, before i noticed it, a hand was reaching towards Altria.

Saria as well as I was reaching out for Altria

The hand that i extended to Saria at the same time as Altria——— reached.

And the the form of Saria, Altria and I all left from the plains.

“……..Nnn?”

After being wrapped in the dazzling light when i opened my eyes i was

in a strange space with no clue where we were.

It's dim, though it is possible to think its cave the walls seem to be made of brick so it seems to be a labyrinth.

"Where? ? Here..."

"You know?"

"!"

The voice I know suddenly comes from the rear and I look back.

"Seiichi!"

When I looked back I could see both Saria and Altria there.

"Saria! Altria! It was safe?"

"Oh, I guess so....."

while looking around Altria expressed an answer to my words.

"Where are we then? Here....."

"Is this a place that Altria doesn't know either?"

“Yes, I don’t know it at all.”

I also don’t know where we are right now, though I searched through all the knowledge that i had gotten up till now, i didn’t find a single thing.

Where is here really?

While thinking of such things with a crumpled forehead Altria said.

“Hey Seiichi why did you come after me?”

“What?”

“Saria as well why did you dive towards me and have to come to an unknown situation if you hadn’t touched me at that time maybe both of you could have returned safely?”

To Altria’s words which seem a little angry Saria and I looked at each other

“I have said it before to Seichi that and adventurer needed to be able to sense danger, though what kind of thing is this where you followed me in this way even though you don’t know me very much……”

While Altria fumed i obediently said.

“Oh… Well just before I knew it, my body was moving.”

“……what?”

From my words Altria let out a little stupid voice.

Then Saria followed with her reasoning.

Me too. I have to do something to help Altria! Before I thought about it my body moved without permission.”

As Saria says my body just moved without permission.

I do not doubt that I acted without thinking about consequences but the feeling that I had to help Altria was too strong.

“I think I behaved imprudently, I and Saria wanted to rescue Altria from that.”

“….”

I looked down for a while, and Altria had fallen silent after receiving our words.

“…..Guys like you, this is the first time……”

“Huh?”

Though I didn't hear well, after Altria muttered something, Altria turned to face us.

"Here I'll give these to you since..... you came with me through the metastasis trap."

"Oh?"

Suddenly Saria and I were thrown something by Altria.

When I looked at what it was it was a silver stone.

"That is an item called a [guidestone]. It is an item necessary for adventures when in a party and get separated."

"when getting separated?"

"Yes. My magic is in that stone..... If we were to get lost all you have to do is follow that stone it will point you in the direction i am in."

Oh awesome. when i have this even if I lose Altria in a large cloud I would still know which direction she was in.

"Anyway hold on to that tightly and stay close ok?"

""Yes.""

“Is this really ok……”

As soon as Altria finished the conversation she immediately departed.

“Would you like to go that direction first?”

“Sure.”

“Un!”

“And it was the moment that the first step was taken from that spot.

A click.

A terribly unpleasant sound rang out in the vicinity.

The place where the tone came from———— was the foot of Altria.

Altria looks back to us like a tin doll.

“…….This……..I stepped on something……!”

”Altria come AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!””

The moment Saria and I shouted that a wall of bricks that looked no

different from the ones surrounding us appeared between us and Altria

In other words we have been cut off from Altria

.....

“We seem to have been separated already....!”

What?! You said not to stray too far away from me!

“So! Altria had just handed me that item a little while ago for such a time.”

“That’s right!”

The guidestone Saria and I had just been handed was immediately taken out.

Then the guidestone came to life and slowly moving.

And it pointed directly at the wall that had just separated us from Altria

.....

“No you are our only option!”

Even if Altria understands the fact that we are just on the other side of the wall it doesn't matter cause we couldn't get around the wall!

Now I wish i could learn how to get the place where Altria was or was it even possible?!

"Crap.....! I thought it was wonderful just a little while ago but it's useless in this labyrinth.....!

Even if the direction in which Altria is in is show there isn't a meaning if i can't find my way through the labyrinth.

While i was feeling helpless with the unexpected fault in the guidestone, Saria was speaking.

Even if Seiichi stops here , it's inevitable and there has to be a way there, it'll join Altria somehow! Fortunately we know the whereabouts of her, this is really good luck.

It's completely correct for Saria to say so. Even though i grieved forever at this place there are no reasons we can't join Altria.

"Ok! In a labyrinth you'd have to move to be able to rejoin so let's rejoin with Altria quickly!

"Yes!"

Because Altria was no longer around that means I could use my full

power now.

In order to be able to rejoin with Altria quickly we bolted off with an all out power dash.

Chapter 27 Labyrinth Journey

“Ku!”

I – – – – Altria Guremu fought against the demon who was coiled around by a bandage like that of an injured person.

The fight was not any different to any other, but it was just that, the demon’s level before her eyes was different than usual demons.

‘’Mummy Man Lvl: 233″

The skill “appraisal” displayed this as a result.

…….This is the first time i had seen a monster with a level that exceeds 200! Until now I didn’t have an opponent like this.

My own level is 100. Adventurers from S class may fight monsters like this, but it’s a first for me.

To be honest, I don’t fight monsters with this big difference in ability but, it’s different now.

“We got to to meet up with them quickly….!”

“Oō~tsu!!”

But there was no way the Mummy Man would let us through, and it attacked us relentlessly.

He attacks fiercely with his arms but, when the attack missed it and hit the surrounding walls it screamed in pain.

“Tsu —- !”

“Oooo Ooooo!”

As the Mummy Man’s attacks with a loud war cry I somehow manage to avoid it, even though I’m at my limit.

But I can’t avoid his attacks forever, I received a heavy blow to the abdomen and was blown away.

“ga~tsu!?”

I felt an acute pain and almost lost my consciousness in an instant.

Just as I crashed into a wall, a lot of cracks appeared. However they did not crumble, it seems they’re quite sturdy walls. How could I think about that in a situation like this.

I moved away from the wall and it collapsed.

My consciousness was growing faint.

But…… but…… I can’t rest here, I can’t lose my consciousness.

I have to meet up with Seiichi and Saria!

They helped me, without even regarding themselves.

Until now in my life there was no one who did that for me.

Though it might have been because they did not know my secret, that they still tried to help me, it made me happy.

I moved my aching body, and took a recovery medicine out from my item box, and drank it quickly.

Anyway it was an recovery medicine which can be bought at a store everywhere, so the effect was nothing special but, it would let you get back on your feet.

Until I can return to them safely I won't die or collapse, I'm absolutely cannot! Therefore —-

''This obstruction! I will get past ittttttttt!!"

"OO!?"

My weapon [Battle Axe of the Earth] is a legendary class weapon, It's a large weapon which I take pride in.

While I activate my skill I move towards the Mummy man.

"[Power Slash]!"

I just flung the battle-axe and to slammed it against the Mummy Man in front of me.

"Rra ah ah ah ah aa~tsu!"

"Ooooooooo"

Using the momentum, I hit the Mummy Man.

''Haa~ Haa~"

Receiving my skill, the Mummy Man becomes particle of lights and

disappeared.

The level difference was big, and I defeated it with a single blow, though I felt anxious, as the [Battle Axe of the Earth]'s effect was to double the physical strength while in combat, the strengthened [Power Slash] somehow won.

I suddenly noticed that the wall that I had crashed against has no more cracks. It looked like nothing happened to it.

…The structure of a dungeon is really strange, what kind of material is the wall made out of…?

I collected the items that the Mummy Man dropped while thinking about the wall. And I start running.

Along the way I repeatedly to fought many demons and battles and forget about my condition.

Since these monsters were all higher in levels than the highest that I fought against before, I rose up to level 123 before I even noticed.

Due to the battles with strong monsters, my battle skills increased as well. But at the same time, the injuries I had incurred is also plentiful and the recovery medicine that I have on hand have already been completely used up.

Suddenly I, became aware of the place that I had stumbled into.

"This place is…."

Directly in front of me is a huge door.

The colour of the door itself was black. However, one could also see grey and white. It was a mysterious colour.

Within that door, there are various red and blue jewels embedded into it, and a dragon is engraved into the door.

The engraving, artistic as it is. At the same time, my instincts were telling that it was dangerous.

“Are there no other routes other than this?”

I tried surveying the surroundings but other than the path that I had come from, there seems to be no other routes that continued on.

I thought there might be a hidden door, so I tried carefully touching the walls and the floor.

“…. It seems that there is nothing around….”

I tried searching around but things such as hidden doors couldn’t be found at all.

“ That means…”

I return my sights back to the door in front of my eyes.

Along the way, I had definitely mapped the various routes. Therefore, I am sure there are no other place to search beyond this.

In the places that I had explored, the existence of hidden doors like the ones I am searching for now, I couldn't possibly find them now.

On the path that I had walked, after thinking about the lack of devices leading to hidden doors, the probability of Seiichi reaching a hidden room is also low.

"As expected, there is no other place other than this huh…"

The door in front of my sights had a dangerous atmosphere lingering about.

It is also possible Seiichi has entered this door.

Normally, you would not leap into places where you know it's dangerous with one glance.

However, only this time, even if I am risking my life, I believe there is someone I want to save.

After taking in a deep breath, I resolved myself.

"… Yoshi"

I gently touch the door in front of me.

When I do so, the jewels embedded in the door began to sparkle.

Then, the door in front of my eyes, opened automatically without me putting any force

“!”

I was surprised at the sudden event, so hardening my resolve again, I set foot in the room.

“.....”

I entered the room, but nothing could be seen as it was pitch black inside.

In this situation where visibility is not accurate, I raised my alertness to the maximum.

It was at that time.

“Wha!?”

The door I used to enter suddenly began to close.

As I rushed to the door, no matter how much I pushed and pulled the door didn’t open, it seem like a lie how it opened automatically. Just what happened.....

I raised my vigilance as I felt the tension and started dripping sweat from my forehead .

Suddenly, the room that was pitch black until now lights up.

“Tsu!”

From the sudden brightness, I squinted.

Then, after getting used to the light I looked around the surroundings

“Eh————”

What was in front of such a me was———.

“I was wondering who came…… do you want to be eaten? Little girl….”

—- It was a huge jet-black dragon.

◆◇◆

“……”

“Nee, Seiichi. Is that human?”

“There is no way it’s human… It’s different right?”

I Hiiragi Seiichi, together with Saria in order to meet up with Altria-san, are wandering in this incomprehensible Labyrinth.

And, before our eyes, stood a demon blocking the way.

“Sandman Lv: 350”

It is higher level than the ones I fought in the [Forest of Endless Love

and Grief]. What the hell? This useless high level?

That sandman appearance, is human shaped sand. It doesn't have eyes, mouth or ears. Seriously, only sand shaped like a human.

……Surely I think that it is not a human being, but if you look at just the silhouette, it is not that different at all from a human being.

Well, defeating it an is alright, but for some reason the Sandman in front of my eyes is just standing there, completely motionless.

"It is alive right…..?"

"……."

At my question which was no louder than a murmur, the Sandman doesn't answer in the slightest. This situation is very surreal.

Using a nonchalant attitude, Saira pulled at my robes lightly.

"Ne ne"

"Hmm?"

" No matter how long we stand here, we won't be able to progress no? Let's talk to it and have it let us through."

"Talk to it?!"

I imagined my appearance of talking to the sandman figure.

……

Aren't I a weirdo!? …… Looking back at everything up until now, I just realised how weird I am. Well. I had realised it too late!! HAHAHA！For some reasons tears are flowing!

(TL: Arc get up, go out home search for a truck and jump in front! Arc go to other world, enter the dungeon and reach MC place, "MC: …Eh?", Arc punch him in the face and return home with a satisfied smile.)

However, it is also true that we won't be able to meet up with Altria-san by being in opposition with the Sandman forever. In addition, I am unable to do anything about it, so I meekly tried out Saira's advice.

…. Are? If we disregard it, wouldn't it be fine? I had thought of that but if it were to suddenly attack, we would be in trouble.

"Ha, hallo?" (TL: this is done with bad eng)

"Hyo~o~o~ooooooo!"

"Areee!? It didn't move until now, suddenly it starts moving!?"

It appears that we had aggro it. It's impossible to talk to him in English huh?

Although it is a universal language…. Ahh, it's only on Earth huh.

But more than that, isn't that Sandman vigourous?! It's in a running pose of an extremely pretty athlete?!

In the first place, he has no mouth. How can he make noises?!

At any rate, not knowing whether the sandman is dead or not, but he seems to be very lively. He started charging at us. What the fuck. I attack him as I could no longer ignore it.

"Somehow its amazingly unreasonable!?"

"Seiichi! That person is alive! Isn't that good!"

"Yeah, but on the other hand it's coming to kill us instead!?"

And I will say it one more time. The Sandman is not a human being… It's a demon!

"Seiichi, what will you do?"

"No, even if you asked me what to do ……"

Saira asked about about what she thought of obediently.

Even if we run away from here, we can only run back to where we came from. The time we spent till now would be wasted and we also wish to meet up with Altria-san soon.

Therefore, I have decided what to do in the beginning.

“Ah, mou! There is no choice but to beat him!” (TL: Arachnid?)

If you are talking about sand, it is well known from manga and games, etc that it is weak against water.

If that’s the case, I will use water attribute magic…

“[Water laser]!”

I hold out my right hand to face the sandman and the water attribute【Water Laser】magic was activated.

As it is water. Against sand it is befitting as a cheat attribute.

Not worrying too much about any anything, from the center of my right palm, the compressed water was shooting out.

However. my【Water Laser】is a little…. No, it seems like there is a huge misunderstanding.

In the first place, there is nothing but the information of the consumption of magic power entering my head. I have no idea what effect it has until using it.

And I, certainly thought of the water jet that existed on Earth.

But, in reality when the magic was allowed to invoke————

Pyun …. ZUDONNNNNNNNN!

From my palms, a flash. A glittering beam of light pierces through the sandman and there was a terrific roar for a short period of time. The splitting the ground completely in half.

……..

“Power is dang~erous …!”

Is that a joke?! Is that a laser for real? Although the magic power consumption is not large but the power and so on .. What the hell is this!?

First of all, the sound effects that are coming from the water jetting out! What the hell is that ZUKOOOOON?! Isn’t that a fucking explosion sound!

As I was shocked by the unexpected power, I turn towards the sand man.

“Oh …… *O*o~o ……”

The sandman is split right in half as it disperses into light particles and disappears.

“Seiichi”

“……”

“It disappeared”

" ..... that's true"

I was particularly unable to put in feelings towards the incident that before my eyes which was described by Saira. This for some reasons made me want to cry. Am I really a human being?

Well, for now it is over, being hesitant about it is a pointless waste of time. Therefore, I went to collect the item drop.

Like during the time when I defeated the slime, this time the sandman's status are also written into the ball and before I could check it, it became a ball of light and entered into my body.

Things like skill cards are also absorbed into the body, however I did not check it. I planned to check it after we meet up with Altoria-san.

By the way, although my level did not go up, it still feels like I am another step away from humanity again. Hahaha And after reading『Sandman's lifetime』which was the Sandman's experience till now, one fact became known.

That dude, he did not seem to think of anything.

Because that booklet which was about『Sandman's lifetime』was strangely thin. In addition, there are many blank spots.

If you could say it was thanks to that, about all you could learn about the guy is that it's favorite food is sand. The information was so terribly useless that I threw it away.

It's just, the experience written in the book was important but, the dropped items were also important.

But, Sandman's dropped item was more cruel than「Sandman's Life Story」...

No rare item was dropped, only money and a one of a kind item dropped.

The item that dropped was—-..

『Micro magic bullet』……it was a charm for intercepting magic. But, it had absolutely no effect when it's state is sand, it is only effective after heating and turning it into glass. However, it wasn't able to prevent the magic attack.

It's so bloody hard to use! An interception magic that can't intercept magic isn't useful at all you know!? Where the hell can you use this!? This!..

……Well, I guess it has to have some use somewhere. That's what I think. If not then what the hell are they doing?!.

It was a uselessly high level, the crappy item made me feel disappointed. My status should have high luck…..

"Saaaa. It's possible to go ahead now, so let's move on."

"That's true!"

With the intent of changing the mood, Saira and I began to walk around again.

Along the way, with the exception of the Sandman, without fighting reached a certain room.

That room didn't contain a path to continue on, it was a dead end.

In the center of the room was a treasure chest that gave off a sinister feeling. It has such an eerie pattern carved on the outside. Although it's a treasure chest, I wonder why I don't want to open it. I think that the appearance is important after all.

"Seiichi, something is left here?"

“Yeah. Let’s ignore it”

“Ignore it!?”

I mean, I hate it. To open that treasure box. It’s somehow black, and a weird black smoke is coming out…… Heck, just what is inside? Scaaary.

Ignore the treasure box that is giving a dangerous smell, we went back to where we came from and follow another path.

Kata~…… katakatakatakatakatakata.

“”!?””

Suddenly, the ominous treasure chest in front of my eyes began to move. What the hell is this, scary.

“Something is moving.”

“Th Th Th th that’s right!”

Why is Saria ok!? And why I am so freaking scared!?

To begin with I am not good with horror things…… What the hell, this labyrinth moving Treasure box. Now if a voice came from the treasure box ———

“…… *O*o~o~oooo Oh *O*o~o~o ……”

“Gya ah ah ah! It talked Aa ah ah ah ah!”

Scary idiot! like the Slime, Sandman…… From where do they make a voice if they don’t have mouths!

“…….Fighting spirit…….?”

“Ah, well that makes sense, it was fighting spirit…… wha…?”

I, myself, didn’t know to whose voice i just answered.

It wasn’t Saria voice for sure, and Altria-san is not here.

Then, now, who am I talking with……?

The unpleasant sweating won’t stop.

The only thing that was in my line of view was a single sinister treasure chest.

「……」

“Seiichi amazing ne! You can talk to that box!”

It’s like that after allllllll!

I just had a conversation with a treasure chest!? From the beginning something felt off, didn’t it!? Was it like the same as Saria who could speak in her gorilla form? It must be different…

Anyway, having had a conversation with this ominous treasure chest that was before my eyes. Did I get too strong, finally even getting magic to communicate with magical beings? I want to believe it’s different!

But, even if that isn’t already the case, there must be treasure chests that exist that have the ability to talk?

Thinking that, I move towards the treasure chest for a second time.

Gata gata (much sound effects of it being rattled around)

No, is the guy inside okay!? Looking at it, I shouldn’t be allowed to shake it this much, but..!?

From the beginning I don’t know when the the fear that was gripping me disappeared, without thinking I was worrying about the treasure box

that was in front of my eyes.

And then, even though just before I violently shook it, the box just stopped still all of a sudden.

“wh… What?”

“Why, I wonder?”

For Saria and me this sudden development is too much, But it’s not enough to make our heads spin.

And————-.

Bang Bang Bang

The treasure chest before my eyes grew human hands and feet.

…….。

……。

“Ha?”

Without thinking I let out a completely moronic voice.

But, that was kinda unavoidable right. I mean the treasure chest just grew legs and feet.

……。

Wait no no no no no no! That is just way too strange right?! I mean it’s gross…!?

From the side of the treasure chest an arm grew out, from below an entire leg grew out from the joint!! I… I don’t get what the hell is going on!?

Aside from me just being totally having my mind blown, the treasure chest just casually stood up, and began to walk around.

“It’s kinda cute isn’t it!”

“That’s a lie right…?”

Did Saria-san just call a treasure chest, that grew out human arms and legs, cute?!

I see nothing but a horror comedy character that I just don’t get.

It’s scary, but surreal!

Regardless of the Sandman…… Are surreal guys the rage?!

“…….Po~…….”

“Noo~ you’re not embarrassed are you?!”

The treasure chest blushes slightly from embarrassment at Saria’s words.

It’s an unreasonably strange creature? At any rate, I can’t understand it, so I use my skill『Advanced appraisal』.

『Treasure chest Lv:900』

“That’s super fucking strong!!!!!”

Level 900!? It’s the highest since Zeanos!? And it’s a Treasure chest!?

Regardless of how it looks or its level, there is a treasure box right in front of my eyes, just as with the Sandman from the start it started with.

“……Die……”

“Why…?!”

That’s cruel isn’t it?! We’ve only just met?! I haven’t even touched the casket in the first place, it didn’t have any reason to say die?!

“….. I, wanted… to… open… the…. treasure chest….”

“I’M SO SORRY!!”

That’s right! It’s just a treasure chest, completely ignoring me is pitiful, right?!

“……Therefore, I kill…..”

“Aren’t you being too hasty?!”

“……”

“The treasure chest ignored it!”

The treasure box ignores the exchange of words, and then rushes towards me. Just like the Sandman it had beautiful athletic legs. Does this labyrinth have an athletic training promotion program?

“An-anyways! I was wrong for ignoring you! You can understand words, so let’s talk about this!”

“…….Dialogue, useless……”

“You aren’t even listeeeeeeeeeing!”

“……Ears, there weren’t there to begin with……”

“Then why can you talk without a mouth!? I mean you can hear what I’m saying!”

“……”

“You’re ignoring the inconvenient truth!?”

“……Die……”

“Are we even reaching each other!?”

He’s a too one-sided treasure chest. I hate this treasure chest.

The treasure box, who with stopped communicating, didn’t stop rushing toward me.

“……We’ve only started chatting, I’ll have you settle down!”

Although the Sandman wasn’t able to talk, this treasure chest understood human speech and was able to talk.

Then, without excessively beating it down, let’s try and see if we can come to a peaceful solution.

While thinking so, not wanting to repeat the same mistake as with the Sandman, from within the the water attribute magic, I picked a magic

with the lowest magic consumption and started reciting.

“Stop!【Aqua Bullet】!”

Aiming at the treasure box, I held out my right palm.

And then, like how I had aimed at the Sandman and shot【Water Laser】, a small ball of water formed in the center of my palm and I shot it at the treasure chest.

Pyun

In an instant.

The【Aqua bullet】I had shot at it’s body looking part, pierced through at absurd speed.

…….。

“……How……regrettable……”

The treasure chest turned into light particles and disappeared just like that.

Silence ruled over the area.

Within that, Saria who had been watching the attempts at communication for a long time, opened her mouth.

“Seiichi”

“……”

“It’s disappeared, didn’t it?”

“Chikushooooooooooooooooooo!” (Tln: Damnit)

I shouted the same phrase that Sandman had just shouted moments ago.

And—.

『You’ve leveled up』

An inorganic voice that can’t read the mood reverberated in my head.

Chapter 28 – A large treasure chest and a large attack

I was thrown away and smashed into the wall.

As I slid feebly down the wall a huge jet black dragon glared down at me

" Hmmm you took that hit quite well for a human..... Should I praise you?"

"Haa..... haaaa..... Damn it!!!!"

I didn't have any room to rebuttal the dragon's words.

Every part of my body screams in pain and it seemed ready to fall apart at any time.

Still.... I must not die....

Looking at me who is trying to forcibly move my bloodied body, the dragon opened its eyes in disbelief.

"Oohh the human is more tenacious than I thought."

"Okay, I've changed my mind; I'll have you for food instead of just killing you."

Food? What does it mean…

While my mind was muddied, the meaning of what the dragon said couldn't be understood at all.

"Then, right away……."

Without any understanding of what the dragon meant, the jet black dragon with sharp fangs and the mouth with hints of flames flickering in its mouth was brought close.

[Food……. Ah, I see. It seems it's going to eat me.But I had said that I don't want to die….]

I grasped hold of my fuzzy consciousness and force myself to awaken.

The dragon who sees my fighting spirit widely opens his eyes in surprise

"I don't like to use this technique but….."

I powerfully gripped my [Battle axe of the earth] and triggered my technique [Calamity]

"ooooooOOOOOOOHHHHH!!!"

It felt like enormous power swelling within me. At the same time, I felt a

part of my reason vaguely slipping away.

Of course the skill [Calamity] is definitely closely related to my constitution, But the skill I am forced to use now, the true meaning is due to me causing『Calamities』.

Although I have developed a skill to cope with the『Calamity』that I had summoned personally,

I will lose all control of myself for a short while and rampage around, causing damage to the surroundings.

As a result, rather than summoning a Calamity, I turn myself into a Calamity. I think with this technique I made the mistake of putting the results over the means.

Well, it's thanks to this up till now that I've overcome many other disasters

Luckily no one is around right now just the dragon so I can rage to my heart's content

[Calamity Fury Body]

My reason was completely obliterated and a huge power gushed from my body.

"This…… "

I see nothing.

I hear nothing.

I think nothing.

“GAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA”

Rage I am.

But that’s all I am.

Hiiragi Seiichi, also known as me (as I am also known as). after having killed the treasure chest I recovered myself and collected the dropped items.

Well…… This time it appears that the sphere the status was written on and a skill card were both dropped

The [Sandman] skill card was sucked into my body when I picked it up.

My status is displayed this time as well, but some skill cards aren’t absorbed straight away. In this situation, it just stays where it is. I wonder why it wasn’t absorbed straight away, what are the requirements?

Even if I think about it, the answer will not appear, therefore I

immediately went back to work.

First of all, let's see this skill card

[Skill card: All language comprehension]

[Magic card: Spatial Magic-Extreme]

"It seems to be great in various ways"

HAHAHA! I'm used already used to cheats… But why. Why do I this feel so empty?

I'm becoming dependant on my cheat skills

As they keep automatically absorbing without me being able to check their contents

I decide confirm the skills after meeting up with Altria-san.

Well that's surprising. I thought I had obtained skills for a moment…

While thinking about it I took the status sphere into my hand and looked at it.

『Magic:50000』

『Attack:0』

『Defense:0』

『Agility:50000』

『Magic Attack:50000』

『Magic Defense:0』

『Luck:0』

『Charm:50000』

“Ahhhhhhhh! I lost to a treasure chest!”

The charm is…… the charm is…..!

Is my charm inferior to a chest??!! Its charm is 50000! Isn’t it too high?!

Leaving aside, its overall status! Isn’t it too biased?! Specialising in magic!? There is no magical or physical defense at all!

However… an athlete who trains as a sprinter is the same.

That speed is really abnormal.

While thinking of such things, I absorb the sphere into my body

It looks like “The life of a Treasure Chest” book dropped.

I pick up the book which had fallen and look at the cover.

[A treasure chest story]

“Even you??!!”

The second part of Zeanos continued!

It also says at the bottom of the cover...

“This is a nonfiction”

“So it’s not a story!”

The guy who appears in this book, do you even know what fiction or nonfiction even mean?? Now no one knows whether it is or not. (Fiction)

While I was making a ruckus about the full of continuously tsukkomi-ing item, Saria came and asked me.

“Oh it looks like the one in the forest. Is it the same one?”

“What? Ah no, I think the content is different this time.”

“Then please try reading it to me! I’d like to hear it!”

Because Saria said so with an innocent smile, I, who also had no reason to decline, began reading out loud [A treasure chest story].

“Due to some incident, A treasure chest becomes a Demonised unique monster.”

…ng? What is a unique monster? When looking at it literally, it means it’s a one of a kind demon…. Oh, is it good?

“First it was utilised by parties as a box to insert and carry baggage. At that point in time, it was just a normal tool without consciousness. It was truly just a tool. However, a famous adventurer who bought the tool <<item box>> was taken to a high level dungeon and there its meaning of existing changed completely.”

Really? The monster started as an item box? I can’t imagine what that would be like.

But, Altria also normally uses an item box.

“Yeah, the ability of the item box is endless storage, it was a tool to infinitely store items it was such a wonderful tool because you wouldn’t

even feel the weight of the items collected in comparison to a treasure chest which has a limited capacity and more so is very heavy and inconvenient. ”

“Still, those parties who owned the treasure chest continue using them. The main reason is that you have no choice but to enter the high difficulty dungeon to collect these item box. However, this problem was later solved by a famous magician. A technique to mass produce the item box was discovered, item box and in a twinkling of an eye became a part of human’s common usage and before one knew it, the meaning of existence for the treasure box diminished.”

I see…… An item box is something I can easily get now. Sooner or later, I will buy it for Saria – it might be useful in many ways

Certainly……. When thinking about the convenience with the item box, the treasure chest becomes unnecessary…….

「Treasure chest……」

When I looked at Saria she was on the verge of crying.

I mean she’s pure. She has only lived in the wild and her sensitivity is stronger than me. Being able to show honestly showing their true feelings is an immensely beautiful thing.

I think that while I continue reading aloud to her.

“ ‘O can still be useful; I can still work’ and as such an ego was born in a

treasure chest. However the party had already left and the treasure chest became alone. In order to attract attention, it tried its best in projecting it's voice. In order to be able to project it's voice, it became like this. Even that so, no one notice it. Passing through the lonely nights, gazing at the oppressive morning sun, the treasure box continues to wait till the time where it becomes needed by somebody.."

Poor treasure chest ooooooooooooooo!!

As for the treasure chest it is……..! How pure!

The treasure chest had such a past……..! I'm sorry for ignoring you!!

"The treasure chest continued waiting for years and months but during that time, no one approached. The treasure chest became sad in fact. "I am just a person who has been passed by with the times and am not necessary" when it was depressed and despaired at the unreasonableness of the world. Then it hit the treasure chest that if you're useless then you just need to learn to appeal to people."

Then the treasure chest has an idea!

"Therefore the treasure chest thought about why it had been left. The point of the item box is that it can store without having to worry about capacity and that the weight is not felt at all by the users. The Treasure chest which thought of these viewpoints was full of space magic which made it possible that the treasure chest could store endlessly without feeling the weight of the items it had stored"

Treasure chest awesome! This treasure chest is awesome and has already completely exceeded the domain of a treasure chest

"The treasure chest tried to fix the point about being bulky but compared to the item box which didn't even have a form, no matter how hard it worked it wouldn't be able to compete. But in order to overcome a such a handicap the treasure chest decided to grow hands and feet."

With what!? Why did you go to hands and feet?! There is no relevance to that at all!

"Because the treasure chest grew hands and feet it would be possible to move itself and because magic could be used it had the option to not be bulky. it had evolved to a high tech treasure chest."

I get it now.....!! It's certainly awesome! but the direction of its effort is strange, no?

"The treasure chest which could move and talk decided to go sell itself to someone but any humans that it met attacked it on sight, far from accepting it, it had evolved to an existence that was completely rejected."

I guess you reap what you sow but even still that's just heart breaking.....!

"The treasure chest was starting to lose hope, however he still goes around requesting to be used and wandering. The party which once used the treasure chest and the days when he could feel a person's warmth and listened to them speak and laugh at each other....."

The end of “The Treasure Chest Story” From now on it will be “The Life of the Treasure Chest”

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“That dark past……”

I muttered so while having far-off eyes. Although I was bullied and tormented I don’t think I had a bad life here in this world.” (still treasure chest)

”Mr. Treasure chest was great.”

Saria seems to have gotten quiet and mutters

Though I had not thought about the feeling of things I had thrown away either, as for some of the things abandoned in the world they might have been something that helped someone.

Even if I don’t need it anymore it’s necessary to devise a makeover for it

Oh dear, though it’s better to not save up on the one thing I don’t need to much

After making a decision I turned my attention to the treasure chest which should include an item.

In the treasure chest… another treasure chest…….. is it a Russian nesting doll?

I instinctively tsukkomied

When I opened the treasure chest a bag of gold and one ring came out of it

”The money can be put in as it is an item box….is this a ring?”

A clean purple jewel was buried in the ring which I had picked up.

For now let’s use appraisal to confirm its effect

『Ring of unhappiness』…… Legendary Grade Equipment. The ring that the unhappiness of the treasure chest was transferred to. The wearer of this ring gets a -2 million correction to luck.

What is legendary?!

That’s not at all a good effect. the correction is a minus to luck! If I wear it do, I become super unlucky!?

Why was this accessory made a legendary class, I don’t understand at all?

However, because I know of the sad past of the treasure chest that was thrown away I don't get rid of the ring.

Because it shouldn't be equipped should I put it in the item box?

The ring that might not be used at all in one's life is put away to rest.

"Fuuu….. For the time being I've finished collecting everything."(Seiichi)

Though I've looked in the vicinity there does not appear to be anything left.

"If the break isnt over yet." Oh we need to go meet up with Altria

"But Seiichi don't we have to go back the way we came cause it's a dead end?"

As Saria said there seems to be no way to advance from here and we would need to go back to the place where we had first encountered the treasure chest.

"It appears so. Do we know the way to where Altria is?"

You should go the way the guidestone tells you when you reach a fork in the path

I took the guidestone that Altria gave to me out of my item box

But…….

“……..Hey Saria was the guidestone red?”

“Oh? I think it was silver…..”

“Right……..”

The guidestone I had taken out wasn’t the same color as when Altria handed it to me and was for some reason blinking red.

Saria also noticed that the guidestone I had taken out was unusual and took out the stone which Altria had handed to her

「Oh mine is also flashing red……..」

Both the guidestones given to us were blinking repeatedly

“What’s going on here…?”

The guidestone had started out silver for sure and now it was flashing red as if it was a warning somehow

With Saria it doesn’t appear she will understand it no matter how long she thinks

And then suddenly it hit me

Wait! If I appraise the guidestone I might be able to learn something.

Originally the effect of the stone had been briefly explained by Altria so it wouldn't be weird if there was another effect i didn't know about.

I then immediately used the appraisal skill to see the reason it was flashing.

[Guide stone] by passing to others a guide stone that had one's magic poured in the direction to where the owner's location is shown and when danger approaches the owner's body the stone will shine red to inform others of danger

ALTRIA!?

It's dangerous? Altria is in a pinch? And we were just spending our time relaxing!!!

Which direction should we go?! Which way should we go?

I dont know!

I told Saria that Altria is in a pinch and we need to hurry

Is it so! Then use the guide stone now!

I use the guide stone to know which direction Altria is in immediatly

And the guide stone points towards the wall and I immediately hit it.

.....

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA

It's not going to lead us to Altria it's just going to show us what direction she is!

I made the same mistake as before just because I was too impatient

Fuck! This wall..... this wall is aaaaaaaaaaaaaaa!

I hit the wall at which the guide stone was point with full force

Zudooooooooooon!!!!

Saria and I were both dumbstruck because of what just happened

Because the wall broke when I hit it with full strength

.....

……Ok?

Though it broke easily…… no even if it broke, it would be better to say it……. vanished?

eeeee…….. I'm a monster……

I move past the surprise and am slightly disgusted by the excessive power

Even the wall which was behind the other one was blown away by my fist.

If a wall could be broken so easily was there no reason to have gotten seperated from Altria in the first place though the damage might have hurt Altria if we used this tactic back then

My cheek is twitching as I start falling into self loathing but then Saria pats my back

"Seiichi is wonderful. now we can get to Altria using this!"

What?…… oh

That's right. I want to cry because I don't seem to have the power of the human race, is it possible to get to Altria now with this power? Cheats Hurrah!

“Saria because I can run with my full strength hold on for a moment”

“Yup!”

Between Saria’s and my agility, mine is overwhelmingly higher

So I decided to hold onto Saria and use my [instant] skill to move to where Altria was at.

There are plenty of methods to carry Saria but she immediately jumps into a princess carry.

…… The princess carry though, I thought I would never get the chance to do it……. I don’t know what happens in a normal life but I don’t think they do this often

“Hold on tightly……. because it’s my first time running at full speed so I don’t know what kind of speed will come out”

“Right!”

I recieved the answer from Saria and used the skill [instant]

At that moment Saria and I disappeared——

U…….

I, Altria Grim died and fell weakly bleeding to the ground

『…….. it was a frightening lass…….』

The dragon looks down at me

It was…….. useless…….

My full strength wasn't even able to hit the dragon in front of me

As if to prove it the dragon didn't have even one wound.

『Even though I have lived a long time there are still people who can surprise me in this time…….. I still don't know enough』

Though the dragon said something it doesn't enter my ears

I'm already in a state where my consciousness is barely there

My bones are breaking and seeing as how I'm spitting up blood my internal organs are damaged.

I ran wildly at full strength and intended to have Seiichi leave safely by all means but…..

Haaa…..haaaa……

While noticing the blurred sight while breathing roughly, I was shedding tears

After I was born I was very unlucky for a long time, I had made an effort to overcome my bad luck with my constitution

To accommodate my own disaster I gained power

Yet my power was insufficient……..

While thinking about it how many times did I laugh in the short time i spent with Seiichi and the others

I who had continued to be unlucky for a long time had almost forgotten how to smile.

To be the one to undertake the exam and supervision of those two was really good I think.

Feelings that had been forgotten were surfacing cause now it was possible to recall them

Therefore I was annoyed that I couldn’t let those two leave safely. I had tears of frustration flowing

I can’t involve others without being able to save them.

After all I am a [calamity] what——

『Anyway it finally became quiet now I can eat it without holding back.』

The huge dragon slowly approached me.

Already, my body can’t move at all?

Seiichi……Saria……Sorry.

I involved y’all……in my misfortune———-

The words involuntarily fell out of my mouth

I gave up on everything and closed my eyes to shed tears

————oon……

———ooon……

——oooon……

–ooooon!

『.....Hmm? What.....?』

Suddenly a sound similar to an earthquake is gradually getting louder from one side of the room

And then I realised it the room is beginning to shake and many pieces are falling from the ceiling.

『Na, What?! What is happening?!』

The dragon also seemed surprised by the unexpected shaking

Listening to the dragon's voice I try and see with my blurredview

.....ooOOOOOOON!!

.....ooooOOOOOOON!!!!

The door which I came through.....

DOOOOOOOOOOOOOOON!!

Burst into pieces

Huh? The door vanished?! What the heck?!

The dragon’s words did not last long

Because from the direction of the door came one spark……. something was thrown against the dragon

The dragon gigantic figure was forcefully thrown against the wall.

And the identity of the thing that had clashed with the dragon……..

“I increased the speed to much and I couldn’t stop……. it was only possible to stop thanks to hitting something

「Hey Seiichi the thing that you hit wasn’t it a creature I heard a voice?」

“Seriously?! I get it I’m sorry…… I apologised, I tried to stop.”

There stood Seiichi who was holding Saria in his arms

I, Seiichi Hiragi was impatiently running.

No, because I didn’t think about the speed except that i had to get there fast.

Because it was in a place that I did not know at all I just ran. Oh Mystery

No, But i was serious and would have freaked out without the joke.

When you measure it how fast am I going right now?

And at that the speed to which my brakes couldn't do the anything by itself I seemed to have been stopped by a creature or so Saria says

I hit it at a terribly fast speed, I wonder if it is still alive. No though I understand it, I start to escape from reality

While thinking of such a thing Saria seems to notice something and utters a suprised cry

"What is it?"

「Is that Altria!?」

When I turned to look in the direction Saria pointed at the ground was bloody and Altria who was lying there was seen

"Altria!"

I ran up to Altria quickly

Then Altria says in a feeble voice.

"Sorry…. Seiichi……Saria….. Return…. Safely"

To Altria whom speaks without any power Saria and I don’t know what to say

This person…… how far does her kindness extend

「Seiichi! First tend to her wounds!」

“Ah!”

When i hold Altria I took out the first-class recovery medicine from my item box

and then I tried to make Altria drink it

「Seiichi! Behind!」

“What?”

I heard the yell from Saria and immediately turned around, a scorching flame was approaching

Suddenly my inherent skill[Mind’s Eye] activated and though I didn’t turn my head around I knew how to deal with the flame

Saria, did you think that I would avoid it and I opened my eyes wide in astonishment because I saw myself at a place where the flames wouldn’t hit

「Seiichi?!」

Though a sad voice is heard from Saria, I turned my back towards the flames reflexively in order to protect Altria

And the hell fire showered upon my back

A dreadfully hot air wraps around me and Altria

While trying to soften the burden on Altria even by a bit I tried to take on as much of the unusual heat on my back while feeding the recovery medicine to her

When Altria finished drinking she could speak a little bit stronger than before however it was still very weak

「Stupid……man…….why did you not avoid it?」

The inevitable was avoided

Because the skill [Mind's Eye] was activated my mind became blank

The main reason my mind went blank was because I didn't have a lot of experience which can handle a sudden attack

This only shows that I'm too inexperienced

Still my body moved by reflex when Altria must be protected

i had no choice but to force a smile at the words of Altria under my hood

But there is no intention to stay under the fire forever

an immediate judgement wont happen yet, it's after i take care of Altria that actions can be taken without limit

Even though Altria's wound has healed her energy hasn't

I then moved to Saria's location in one step while holding onto Altria

「Seiichi!」

Saria runs up while crying

Altria was handed over to Saria so that she could rest away from the battle

「Seiichi is ok? You're burning!」

"I'm Hot?"(tl:Saria uses moe lol)

「No the heat!」

"……."

oh dear it might be so.

Though I was only in the hellfire a short time only the robe was on fire and the clothes were untouched. It seems the robe the sheep prepared had an effect that wasn't mentioned

Anyway i think the robe isn't useful anyway. It must have been enjoyable to see my reaction

But the robe seems to have been ruined now

Bits and pieces of the robe were spreading and being reduced to ashes

I tried to activate the skill[Absorption] and draw in the flame on the robe but it wasn't possible to draw in for some reason

And I can't use water magic to put it out because I can't control my power and I don't want it to become another case of self-destruction as a joke

However since it was just the robe burning I took it off and was finally freed from the flame

「……Seiichi…….?」

Behind me i hear Altria’s stunned voice

Maybe by having taken off the robe she sees my black hair is what I thought

When I turned around to see A’tria she seems to have muttered those words and then fainted

“Saria will you look after Altria?”

「Yup! Seiichi good luck!」

Ou

The rooting from Saria was received and I turned towards the party that had shot the flames

A huge dragon, clad in jet-black scales was there

It stared in this direction with red eyes with fire lightly burning in its mouth

『It is a human being…… Moreover you got in my way……!』

It seems angry at us. Why is it? Did I do anything? Moreover? Is it the

second time we bothered it? Never mind.

I think it's the dragon that harmed Altria

Though we can speak the same language discussion would be meaningless

『It's not allowed……absolutely…. Do not think it is possible to return alive human……!』

See?

While secretly sighing i pulled out the[sword of revolting hate(Black)] and sword overwhelming with benevolence(white)]

"Is that so…..? then I just need to beat you and we can all go home…..!"

and I dashed out at the same time as I declared it

As Altria fought for us its now my turn to fight for Altria

To return with everyone———

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[Haaaaaaaa!]

[Nuuuuu!]

The dragon and I charge at the same moment and I swing [The Black Sword of Hatred] and [The White Sword of Love/Affection] at full force.

However, the dragon repels those attack with its fingernail, diverting them. What a hard nail.

[Humans…! You are always such an annoying race…!]

The dragon seemed really hateful, it swings its huge tail to mow me down.

This dragon… Is very strong?

I began to cry when I asked myself, is my offensive power beyond one million? It's to defend our peace..

Though it's natural now, I haven't understood the dragon's name and level.

As the dragon swept with its tail, I moved to create some distance, while moving I used the skill [Advance Appraisal].

[Black Dragon God Level: 5000]

[The level is too high!]

That's two or more times Zeanosu, isn't it!

In the presence of the dragon—- While I was surprised with the level and the name of Black Dragon, it moved its aim and lowered its sharp fingernails.

[Take this!]

[Uo!? So dangerous!]

[Ku… Don’t avoid it!]

[The attack will miss!]

[That’s the point!?]

What is with it being necessary to purposely receive the other party’s attack.

I evaded the Black Dragon God attack in a flash.

In each aftermath of the Black Dragon God’s attacks, there is a small gap .

[Nuu! Then… What about this!?]

When the Black Dragon God shouts that, there is a bright red and sharp glint from its eyes, aiming at me.

Though I don’t understand what he will do, at the next moment, I understand it.

[Ku! My, my body…!?]

I stared toward the Black Dragon God, it's giving off a terrifying pressure – my body can't move at all.

There is no obstruction, but why is it my body cannot move? Why?

While my body can't be moved without a reason, the Black Dragon God didn't miss his chance and attacked me.

The tail approaching while tearing through the air, I let down my guard a bit.

If I said goodbye to my status as a human, it'll be safe when I receive the attack from the Black Dragon God right? But…

Furthermore, I have the skill [Absorption] too. This tail attack damage was most likely gonna be absorbed

But, such carelessness brought me into crisis.

Meki meki meki

The tail was thrown into my immoveable body.

When I received the attack to my side I got blown to the wall.

[Gaha! Goho!]

A large amount of blood was vomited from my mouth.

Wh, what happened?

Although without me saying it, my defense and offensive power should exceed one million.

My level is so much higher than Zeanosu's. The offensive power of the Black Dragon God didn't seem to exceed one million at all.

Moreover, when I receive damage, the skill [Absorption] should be activated.

But, I still received this large amount of damage.

In other words, the attack from Black Dragon God was not absorbable.

To think I got blown away, it's been awhile since I've been blown away in Saria's Forest.

[Seiichi!?]

Saria – the person in question who blew me away, is screaming.

I wipe the blood streaming from my mouth with my hand. I take out the superlative recovery potion from my bag at once, and drink it up..

Then, the wound on my body recovers instantaneously.

[Fun. Like, I didn't expect to be blown away – such expression]

Bullseye.

While I am seen through, the Black Dragon God continues.

[Even after receiving the strike from my energy, you're still young after all… The result from your overconfidence in power – you've experienced it just now]

Though it's frustrating, I can't answer him back.

After all, I have always unconsciously relying on my own OP strength.

As I removed my status as a human, I am relieved and grieved at the same time.

First, I never lost…

But, I was blown away by the Black Dragon God just now.

Why did I receive the damage? Was it because the skill [Absorption] is not effective?… I'm thinking of various questions.

But, I understand one thing, the method to give me damage, it's to surpass the monster status.

That’s it, but I still don’t understand.

Even if I don’t understand… I can’t do anything except keep fighting. Everyone is waiting for me.

I am not relaxing my guard anymore. If you get damage because you received a hit, it’s best to avoid the attack no matter what.

When the Black Dragon God see my face change, it was squinting.

[… The crucial moment starts from now]

When I muttered small voice, the Black Dragon God open his large mouth, facing towards me.

[That’s good. Then, receive my strongest magic. Go vanish…!]

After that, the surrounding of the Black Dragon God was surrounded with the flame, opening his large mouth and looking at me.

From the inside of the mouth, I can see the flames converge little by little..

In this state, pointing at me, it speaks with its mouth with dexterity.

[My strongest magic… [Hell Inferno]! This magic has the effect to nullify the magic, swallowing it….In the hell fire, you bastard, you’re gonna be burned away!]

In other words, when the Black Dragon God finishes his magic, at the same time I’ll burn away in an instant.

I spread my robe, to think my skill [Absorption] is unable to cancel this flame. This magic cannot be absorbed.

And also, being unable to negate the magic, the dark magic [Magic Hall] doesn't make sense.

What should I do…!

In front of the flustered me, the flame is gathering fast.

If it's by direct attack, let's not do it – the surrounding flame is in the way; it's not possible to approach him.

The water magic too, I don't know if it's capable to extinguish such a big fireball. The power and the effect itself, I still don't know.

If I tried to use skill [Zanashi/Beheading leg], it'll be thwarted and erased by the flame.

At this rate…

For better or worse, I was thinking of using a huge amount of water magic with a lot of consumption.

[Seiichi!]

In the back, Saria who looked after Altria, is shouting something to me.

[Use the magic than you used when fighting me!]

Saria… Magic when we were fighting?

Incidentally, when I met Saria for the first time – I recalled our fight.

And then, I recalled the magic at that time.

Nope, I don't want to remember it, but I have to remember it.

That's the magic that I used for the first time.

In addition, I'd say, the magic failed.

… Mou, I don't want the error to be repeated.

Although I was a little bit traumatized, I still need to use this magic.

I'm different than the previous me.

I shut my eyes and raise my right arm quietly towards the heaven.

To my appearance, the Black Dragon God shows a questioning face.

I exhale deeply.

I'm nervous in case the magic fails

[It's useless now. My magic already can't be stopped…!]

The mass of the flame is already the same size as the Black Dragon God.

However, It doesn't matter. Because I have decided, I must do it.

And then, when I opened my eyes, I shout a spell/magic word.

[[Fall Disaster]!]

This is the magic that I used for the first time against Saria.

At the same time, it's the magic from the bitter memory that I tried to forget.

But, this time, I must use it.

This time, the trigger is on the place—-

[Fufufufu… Hahahaha! What do you think you're do… There is nothing

happening? It's regrettable, human! You can clench down your own powerlessness and decay——\

.....Dododododododo!

The sound of disaster is coming.

[Mu? ... Na!? Wh, what's happening!?..... Water? Does the water fall down!?]

The sound heard from above, the Black Dragon God who noticed the sound of the disaster, was surprised and opened its eyes wide while looking up.

[Cho! It will fall down in here!? It will hit! Uuuuu.... It'll hit my magic!]

The shout of the Black Dragon God is helpless. The water of disaster is mercilessly dropped from above.

[Gaaaaaaa! My magic... My magic... Aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa! Gababababababa!]

I'm also... in the same condition.

I see the appearance of the Black Dragon God, I'm looking from far away.

The gigantic mass of flame from the Black Dragon God, because the volume of water is overwhelming, is able to extinguish the fire without any difficulty.

The intense spray, it scatters on me.

… This, we will likely be drowned if it’s like this….

I become uneasy at once, I use [Magic Hall] at the feet of the Black Dragon God. All of the magic was absorbed by me. There is no worry if the magic is gonna fill the room.

Right, when I fought Seria, I jumped up greatly. This one also, the improvement of absorption is probably because the level-up status enhancing my magic attack.

[I, the breath…! Deki…. Abababababa!]

I know that feeling well.

I glanced a pity to the Black Dragon God. Moreover, the Black Dragon God received the volume of water (TN: the mass of water torrent looks more cool). It doesn’t compared with me at that time..

[S,stop it! This water stooooooooooooop! Gobobobobo!]

The Black Dragon God was swallowed by the water in an instant.

Apparently, the Black Dragon God is misunderstanding one thing.

——- I, don’t know the method to stop this magic.

When I say it in my mind,I in turn give a refreshing smile to the Black Dragon God.

[Oi, What kind of smile is that!? Please! I beg you to stopppppppppppp!]

The shout of the Black Dragon God is in vain. It received the vigorous water attack from me, around five minutes later.

The Black Dragon God who was able to separate from the water, is gasping.

I was blamed about the water for a long time…

Once again, water is scary. No matter what.

[You… Human…! I won't forgive you even if you ask for forgiveness!]

That's a really amazing rage… The reason is clear.

[I'll tear you apart!]

When the Black Dragon God says it, it fiercely attacks me.

[[Spherical Claw]!]

From the fingernails in the hand, there is three claws flying at me.

…….It's similar to my skill [Goutsume].

When I am thinking about it, my [Shingan/Mind's Eyes] is activated.

However, when I avoided the slash attack from the Black Dragon God, it began to pursue me.

[My skill [Spherical Claw] is gonna keep chasing until the target is torn apart!]

[Hard nail] is strong… The offensive power is also high.

Even though I worked hard to shake it off, I think the slashing power is not dropping when it's approaching me.

Maybe this is really effective; it's a very troublesome skill.

It can’t be helped, I stop to avoid it and began to attack it.

In this case, I obtained it from Zeanosu, I used [The self-defense Style of Zefudo].

[[Skill Break!]]

As the name suggested, this technique destroy another skill. However, this technique seems to be unable to demonstrate its effect except against skills. I heard if it’s aimed at person, it won’t cause any damage. I wonder what the principle of this skill is?

While I am wondering about it, all of the slashing attack that approached me, was cut in pieces in the black and white sword.

And then, I continue to invoke skill [Instant]; I move approaching at a dash.

Again, I can’t control the power, I pulled out the power of [Instant] a little.

But, because the speed was far exceeding the recognition speed of the other party, I who has suddenly appeared in front of its eyes, the Black Dragon God opens its eyes widely, surprised.

[[Storm Slash]!]

While watching the reaction from the Black Dragon God, I twist my body and do a rotation slash attack with my black and white sword.

[I am… I am determined to never lose again against a human…! Never lose!]

When the Black Dragon God sees my attack, it’s struggling to repulse it.

The Black Dragon God's word, I felt something like deep obsession, even though I don't understand it.

Afterwards, the Black Dragon God spits the fire that cannot be absorbed, followed by the attack one by one from its tail and the fingernail.

I am able to avoid those attack and I succeed in landing counter attack. The body of the Black Dragon God was covered in blood.

The Black Dragon God seems as though it's gonna fall at any moment, but its eyes are not dead yet.

The fire breath that he was breathing became rough, slowly changing into dark smoke.

Toward the sharp glinted eyes, the Black Dragon God's ambition is scattered.

From its appearance, I imagined it, the feeling of personality of a Dragon.

[I am…. I am not done yeeeeeeet!]

The Black Dragon God was enraged and a huge fireball is shot from its mouth.

That speed, it's far different from all of the earlier attacks.

Even with the skill Mind's Eye, I who took pride in my speed , is feeling threatened.

When the huge fireball come closer, I invoke my skill [Instant], as I am on this momentum, I invoked the mysterious [Gale] that defeated Zeanosu.

My black and white sword were approaching the Black Dragon God at abnormal speed.

[Gaaaaaaaaaaa!!]

That moment, it roared, I who moved in the speed that cannot be recognized, is being stared with sharp eyes by the Black Dragon God.

Then, the Black Dragon God begins to attack; I already released mysterious [Gale] so I can't move at all.

[Ku! Again…!]

[Aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa]

The entire area intensely vibrated. The Black Dragon God which raised a war cry, with its sharp claw came to tear my body.

If this attack hits me, my defense power for some reason won't function – I might die too soon.

That is, I absolutely refused.

I forcibly moved my body and I command my body with all my strength.

If I don't move from here, I will die.

Like that, it's really more simple than I imagined. The survival instinct awakes my body in an instant. I begin to move my body.

Toward the impending fear of death, my body has evolved again.

Nope, it might be not only my body. My mentality too, this fight against the Black Dragon God has made me grow.

I still have a long way to grow-up. I am satisfied with the current situation, no matter what I will still remain a monster.

Someday, to get past this monster, I want to reach a point which I can

control it well.

A strong desire exploded inside me. My body was completely freed from the bind.

Following that, I heard a voice inside my head.

<<You have mastered Overpower Resistance>>

I, who's moving fast, am not capable to think of the meaning of those words.

When the Black Dragon God sees my appearance, it doesn't stop attacking.

I counter attack.

[Ooooooooo! [Claw of The Dragon God]!]

A shining huge fingernail approaches me.

It seems that claw is not able to be destroyed by Zeanosu's technique [Skill Break]. When I was thinking about it, the claw approached, it's powerful… It was beautiful.

However, I am facing it, wielding my sword single-mindedly.

It's approaching, this gigantic slash attack.

I didn't see anything.

I heard nothing.

I said nothing.

Nothing in my mind.

However, I wield the sword in daze.

Obtained from the sect/school from Zeanosu, I don't have any idea on

how to learn skills and Hidden Skills.

That moment, I heard a familiar voice in my head.

[Hidden Skill <Profusely Flower Sword> was acquired. Hidden Skill <Hurting Sword Blade> was acquired.]

At the same time I heard that voice, my sword collided with the Black Dragon God…

—- I cut the slash in instant and I am reaching the Black Dragon God.

And then, without giving a chance for the Black Dragon God to counterattack, I kept slashing with my black and white sword.

[Gaaaaaaaa!]

The Black Dragon God, as it's the same effect when defeating the body of a monster, falls into the ground.

[I am… defeated again….! Again, I cannot win against humans….!]

From the eyes of the Black Dragon God that fallen down, there is a stream of tears.

I just want, to laugh together again with that person….]

Shed tears, the Black Dragon God said it in regret.

[Uooooooooooooooo!]

This the end, when the Black Dragon God raised a sorrowful roar, it disappeared completely.

The only one left, is an item drop/loot.

More than that, in my mind, the word of the Black Dragon God strongly attached.

[…. In the end, I wonder why the Black Dragon God hates humans so much…]

Like usual, the air in the surrounding has become quiet.

<<<Level-up. Level-up. Level-up. Level-up>>

I heard the voice reporting my level is increased, its sounding several times. So far my level up was only one by one but the level-up is increased in flash. Was the Black Dragon God so strong?

But, I don't think I'm feeling good atm.

Saria is running, to me.

[Seiichi! Are you okay?]

[E? Y,yeah. I don't have any injury]

Though I answered her, Saria didn't change her worried looks.

[But… Seiichi, you look sad somehow?]

I am, showing a sad expression?

Though I don't understand well, I shake my head.

And then, we rushed to the side of the fainted Altria.

[… Again, she seems to have fainted]

[Yes, maybe, I believe she will wake-up soon]

I am relieved to hear Saria's word.

Anyway, we're safe now, it's possible to return.

So, those hentai in the guild…

… Eh?

The hentai in the guild seems to also got a big trouble in the home, moreover I have overlooked some unexpected things…

When I think about it, I notice something.

After I notice it, I want to escape the reality in full force.

[….. How can we escape?]

On my word, Sarria showing blank expression.

And, we're looking at each other….

[[Aaaaaaaaaaaaa!?]]

The way back to homeeeeee! To begin with, what is this place!? I Just

realized it now!

[This is bad! We must think of the way back home! Oh boy, how can we be blown off so suddenly!?]

[W-what should we do, Seiichi!]

[Don’t panic! At such a time… Such a time!?]

I’m such a fool to be blown to this place and unable to get back home.

During this sudden situation, I went in hurry for Saria too. The serious atmosphere is ruined!

Because Altria is still unconscious, it’s impossible to discuss what to do next.

I realize that there is no use rushing, I exhale deeply and my mind settles down at once.

[Fuu… Let’s calm down. First, let’s confirm if it’s possible to escape from this labyrinth with our items in possession]

[Yes! I didn’t bring anything!]

Yes of course! Then please look after Altria for awhile!]

[Roger!]

Because Saria doesn’t have item box, the items was not carried over.

Saria went to return to the side of Altria.

For the time being, when I checked my item box, there is no items that’s capable of letting us escape from this cave.

[Oh yeah! From the drop item's of the Black Dragon God, there might be something useful]

In the worst case, I will destroy this labyrinth, even though it's closed space which could destroy the surrounding when carelessly destroyed, if we are caught and damaged, it'll be embarrassing for sure…. When we were in a rush to Altria, it was an emergency…. Sorry I was joking, I didn't think carefully during that time.

With the excuse described well in my mind, I approached the drop item from the Black Dragon God.

First of all, because it dropped the scales and fangs, I collected them all.

[Scale of the Black Dragon God]…. A solid scale which covers the gigantic figure of the Black Dragon God. It will nullify the damage from normal weapon. It is an excellent heatproof. An overwhelming thermal power is necessary to process it. It's weak against cold.

[The Black Dragon God's Wrath]…. It's rare, among the thousand scales of the Black Dragon God. It's harder than the scale, but has the same elasticity. It has resistance against magic. The power of the received magic attack is reduced. Other effects are the same as the scale.

[Fingernail of the Black Dragon God]…. The strong fingernail of the Black Dragon God. It's very sharp, even a thick iron plate can be easily torn-up. It's very hard. The same as orichalcum, it can only be processed with special metals.

[Fang of the Black Dragon God]……. A brutal fang equipped/owned by the Black Dragon God. When it's pierced, it will not miss anything.

[The bone of the Black Dragon God]…. It's very hard, thick bone. Depending on how it's processed it boasts the same strength as orichalcum – the performance is able to surpass the legendary weapon

class.

[Gem of the Black Dragon God]…. A gem which existed inside the body of the Black Dragon God. It stored an overwhelming magic power. If equipped into a weapon, it can destroy anything easily with normal attack, even against the ethereal body of Demons. If you eat it, the magic will spread to the whole body and your physical strength will increase. Moreover, the power of all magics will increase.

[As expected from a God!]

The effect is great! Even though there is no weapon, but the drop materials are so awesome.

This, gem of the Black Dragon God! It's possible to eat it? This is a gem, you know!?

I am throwing the black scale and fangs that scattered around into the item box. I picked-up the beautiful black gem.

[This… Is edible? Seriously?]

Ee… I want to process it as weapon, but my curiosity was piqued.

[This is a challenge]

In the end, I submit to my curiosity. I throw the gem into my mouth.

When I put it inside my mouth… I'm surprised, it's taste is cola.

It's amazing.

While I'm thinking of such things, the gem, before I know it, it has

melted like a candy in my mouth.

[Iya~, this is delicious....]

However, I expect my physical power to be strengthened. I felt nothing happen.

Ma, I will understand it sooner or later.

When I said it optimistically, I moved the items.

[The following item... There is no status written]

It gave me a big damage. It most likely takes pride in the stats.

When I made a selfish guess, everything gets confirmed.

[Magic: 100000]

[Offensive power: 200000]

[Defense power: 200000]

[Agility power: 10000]

[Magic attack: 200000]

[Magic defense: 200000]

[Luck: 3]

[Charm: 100000]

[Again!]

So, I was defeated by charm!

O-oh dear? The other party is a dragon, it's certainly a cool creature....!

Moreover, it has luck! It's not different from Zeanosu's story!? The other status' exceeded more than 100000.

When I retort it so much, I notice something.

[... However, how was offensive power of 200,000 able to exceed my defensive power and give me damage?]

When I thought about it, it might be impossible.

In this case, there is a method to damage me, it might not be status, but a skill.

When I checked the sphere status in my body, I shifted to check the skill confirmation.

[Skill card <<Penetration>>... Skill [Penetration] was learned.

[Skill card <<Overpowering>>... Skill [Overpowering] was learned.

[Skill card <<Claw Supremacy>>... Skill [Claw Supremacy] was learned.

[Skill card <<Dragon God Nails>>... Skill [Dragon God Nails] was learned.

[Magic card <<Extreme Fire Attribute>>... Able to use magic from fire attribute.

[Magic card <<Purgatory>>... Able to use Ancient magic attribute <Purgatory>

[Wait a moment! There are various things followed-up in this atmosphere!?]

All of these things seems strong, I falter.

These skill cards, everything is absorbed inside my body.

When I finished acquiring all the skills, I check to confirm it – the status displayed at once.

<<Hiiragi Seiichi>>

Race: Man (Human)

Sex: Male (Male)

Job/class: Mysterious (Magic Swordman)

Age: 17 (17)

Level: 15 (15)

Offensive power：1644000（100【Fixed】）

Defense power：1667000（100【Fixed】）

Magic attack：1674000（100【Fixed】）

Magic defense：1632000（100【Fixed】）

Charm：Displayed as a foolish person（100【Fixed】）

<<Equipment>>

Fine quality Shirt. Fine quality trousers. Fine quality underclothes. Fine quality briefs. Chain of clever monkey. Dagger of the water spirits. Bracelets of night. Choker of Black King Stone. Necklace of the love without ends. Sword of swirling hatred. Sword of overflowing affection.

<<Character Skills>>

Instant Memory. Perfect Memory. Instant learning. Instant recovery.

Complete dismantling. Mind's eye., Evolution/evolve, Skill/Art Steal, Arrangement.

<<Skill>

[Attack] Kiashi(Leg Chop). Shokiba(Twin Fang Attack). Tsuoyshitsume(Metal claw). Strong nail. Supreme Nail. Dragon God's nail.

[Resistance] Paralysis resistance. Sleep resistance. Confusion resistance. Charm resistance. Petrification resistance. Inhibition resistance. Poison resistance. Fatigue resistance. Overpowering resistance.

[Movement] Setsuna.

[Special] Advanced appraisal. Super compounding. Tool making: Super first rate. Search. Disguise. Assimilation. Clairvoyance. Absorption. Compression. All-speech understanding. Transmission. Coercion.

<<Magic>>

Life magic, Water magic, Dark magic, Earth magic, Space magic, Fire magic, Unique/Ancient magic: Purgatory.

<<Secret/Hidden skill>>

Gale, Flash, Cloud, Profusely Flower Sword, Hurting Blade Sword.

<<Military Arts>>

Self-defense of Zefodo style: Founder.

<<Title>>

Stink player, A man who has gorilla as bride, The top of everything, Doesn't know the self-respect, Male King, Dragon Samurai, God Killer.

<<Money>>

2500304060 G

[It become too much!]

The status changed too much in a dramatic way! Takumi is surprised! (TN: Takumi is person name or not? I'm not sure)

The class/job changed from monster into mysterious! What, what is a Mystery? Am I mysterious!?

The charm is more cruel!? Besides, comparing the treatment, it's too hard to handle.

Moreover, the new skills was added to the column of the Unique/Ancient magic before I know it.

I am bit hesitant, but I want to confirm this unique skill.

[Evolution] …. After reaching certain level in the race of <Human>, this skill will be released. Every time the user is in battle, the user body will adjusting/adapting the battle. Always activated.

[Skill/Art Steal] ….. After reaching a certain level in the race <Human>, this skill will be released. This skill able to acquired the skill that be used by the other party as their own. However, if the other party is a monster, the skill that can be acquired is limited to those that can be used as a human. Always activated.

[Arrangement]…. After reaching a certain level in the race <Human>, this skill can be released.

Learning skills from Skill/Art Steal, it can be done by the most extreme form that suits themselves. Always activated. (TN: Maybe this is kinda like support skill for Theft Work so he can steal his opponent skill in any

battlefields](Yami:I've change all Theft Work to [Skill/Art Steal] cause it seems more appropriate)

[Humans are scary!]

These skills are so cheating!

Moreover, Evolution!? I haven't ate Seeds of Evolution any longer but I can still evolve!? (TN: I don't know about this evolution things so i made a wild guess](Yami:From my guess,his body or something can adapt or adjust itself to fit the battle or enemy)

How should I say it, that I completed the condition to liberate the skills, from now on, what kind of skill might be released?

..... What is a Human? To be a cheating existence like this?

I have harbored distrust on my race. Next, I'm gonna move on to confirm the ordinary skills.

[All language comprehensions].... The skill for human race to understand all the languages. The monster language might be understood, it's not absolute. Always activated.

[Penetration]..... The skill that gives a direct attack, disregarding the opponent's defense power. Because of the effect of this skill, it is impossible to prevent this skill. It's not effective against spiritual body..

[Overpowering]..... This skill can be used against low-leveled enemy, it can temporarily seal their movement. In order to give pressure to the other party's spirit/mental to stop the enemy movement, it's ineffective against the obstruction resistance. However, the effect is not triggered if the other party level is higher than the user..

[Overpowering Resistance]….. Nullify Overpowering.

[Claw Supremacy]….. The skill that fires three slashing attack. It's possible to fire it from weapons. It will keep chasing down until in contact with the other party. The more the other party avoids it, the more the power will rise.

[God Dragon Nails]…… The skill that is able to fire a terrifying slashing power. It has Light/Holy element. It's effective against the Undead monsters. However, it can only go forward in straight line.

I was vomiting blood for the remaining skills.

The number of the cheating skills….! It's no different than a God!

Nope, the treasure box's skill [All language comprehension] is mixed with it. Though this skill has a width to be extended. When arranged with the mind-blowing skills, I became greatly hazy.. Thus, in these skills, the most practical and high skills.

More of it, being able to give me the damage, it's the skill [Penetration] …?

The obstruction resistance, though the body can't be moved, probably because the overpowering. However even if I learned, but my level is low, it's not very useful, although I can use it.

All of them are very strong. Although to handle them is difficult, but I believe I can try to master them somehow.

[Next is magic, eh?]

In the case of this, I checked the column of magic.

[Earth Magic: Limit/Max]…. The Earth element can be studied thoroughly. Is also able to handle all of the Earth magics.

[Space Magic: Limit/Max]…. The Space element can be studied

thoroughly. Is also able to handle all of the Space magics.

[Fire Magic: Limit/Max]…. The Fire element can be studied thoroughly. Is also able to handle all of the Fire magics.

[Unique Magic: Purgatory]…. The magic from Fire element, the forced magic granted. When the fire magic was clashed with the other fire magic attack. The fire attribute/element magic moved by the forced magic bestowal/granted of the Purgatory element. Other party fire magic is swallowed. Skill extinction is impossible. Is it possible to nullify it using an overwhelming amount of water? It's possible to nullify it by the intention/will of person who triggered it..

[Hahaha, it's full of cheats]

It's not good, I have no confidence to master all of them. It'll take too much time.

However, not being able to absorb the flame of Black Dragon God, it's because of the effect of Purgatory. This property is really awesome.

Aside that, The shrewd Sandman magic….Akurufu, level exceeding 300., I learned his magics thoroughly somehow.

There is space magic to learn storage box by myself.

[Space magic….? Huh!?]

The impact shocked my body.

Yes this is…. Yes this is!

[Is this not a space magic!]

I input in my head, to remember of the name of the space magic.

[I got it!]

And then, the name is, [Teleport] and [Transfer Magic], the name of magic certainly really exists.

[Seria! We will be able to return!]

[Really!? Yay!]

I wish to express my gratitude to Altria-san who is near Saria, because of the storage box.

Treasure box… Your effort won't be useless…..! Our crisis, this amazing fellow gonna save us…!

I gave my salute to the treasure box which scattered silently…. I killed it.

[I confirmed the status to ease my mind]

I mutter so, the column of Hidden Skill is confirmed on it this time.

[Profusely Flower Sword…. Release an innumerable slash. The hidden move to cut the other party in pieces. The skill and magic can be cut too.

[Hurting Blade Sword]… It's combined with the sword. The Hidden move will improve the user's concentration to the utmost limit. After the hidden skill used, the skill power and the speed of the movement of the sword will double.

[Oo, Hidden move]

Do you feel admired in this situation? Because I obtained the secrets by myself.

Especially, there is no viewpoint either. It moved to the last column of the last title.

[Dragon Samurai].... The title given to person who defeated the highest rank of dragon alone. The battle against dragon, it will correct the existing status to maximum.

[God Killer]..... The title given by God to the person who killed it. When battle against God, it will correct the existing status to maximum.

[At last, finally....]

I looked with cruel eyes.

Nope, right now, the God who sent us to this world said, the God exists.

Well, if you watch it from the God's side, the Black Dragon God might not be a God.

Anyway, I have gone and become God Killer. Uwaaah-! I am clueless!

By becoming a God Killer, Doesn't it mean I will incur Divine punishment? When I consider it, I felt so scared. No, I give up.

[Now then... The confirmation for the skills has ended, the return method is found. Eh...]

When I said so, I delimited my word. A treasure chest falls to ground and took the attention of everyone..

[The content of the treasure box, though the cheat equipment might be in it, it's bit anxious because of the past of the Black Dragon God.

The extreme attachment toward a Human. Somehow, it might have been in the past.

The fierce battle is concluded. I who took down the Black Dragon God, I want to know about it.

When I noticed, I was directing myself to the direction of the books.

And then, After this, I am, made to think about various things.

Shinka no Mi Chapter 30 - Human Being

In my hand was the Black Dragon God's story. Its title was『The Biograph of the Black Dragon God 』and under that was『 Non-fiction 』.

I understand they are non-fiction already. Stop trying to make a fool of me!

Wait a minute…

『 The Biograph of the Black Dragon God 』…

「 BIOGRAPHY!? 」

The title caused me to yell in astonishment.

It's a Biography, not a story? That's strange all the titles have been story up until now! If it was me writing them I would want a little more continuity. Well a Biography is about a person's whole life so there is no mistake in the naming…

With a little dissatisfaction I opened the book and began reading.

『 Once upon a time, in a certain human village, a black dragon was worshipped as a god. 』

Faith was given to that guy?… Well of course faith is placed in a God…

『 Whenever the villagers were in trouble the Dragon God would

selflessly protect them. Thus, the villagers worshipped and revered him from the bottom of their hearts. 』

I can't imagine it at all… Someone that hated Humans to that extent actually protecting them…

『 However, as time passed the villagers' faith in the Dragon God faded and they even forgot to give thanks to the being that protected them from the various disasters and demons. 』

…

『 The Dragon God eventually discovered a plot of the Humans to subjugate him and use him as materials for weapons. Enraged by this the Dragon God began no longer desiring their worshipping, nor their faith, nor even their thanks. 』

And… it was so. The humans whom he had been protecting betrayed him, and attacked him.

『For there is only one God whom bears the name Black Dragon God and he is proud of his tremendous combat abilities. To subjugate the Dragon God the villagers sought out a group called the "Dragon Slayers" whom were said to possess a skill called <<Dragon Kill>>. Once the battle started the Dragon God's movements were easily sealed and they then inflicted a massive amount of damage upon the Dragon God. 』

Dragon Slayers huh… I can't imagine the Black Dragon God being beat so easily.

『With his life in danger the Dragon God broke free and fled from the

group of dragon slayers but he knew before long he would succumb to exhaustion or blood loss, and sooner or later he would be caught. Eventually his body gave out and while succumbing to the black curtains of death, a man by chance passed by and lent the Black Dragon God his hand. That man would later be referred to as Maou.

「Kuh!? 」

Out of nowhere an unintentionally strange voice leaked out.

Maou!? Maou made an appearance here?

『While healing the Dragon God's wounds Maou proposed that they travel together as a group. In the beginning the Black Dragon God had been cautious of Maou due to his resemblance to the humans but somewhere in their long journey together the Dragon God had become attached to him and deeply wished for more of his attention. 』

I see… the Black Dragon God was saved by Maou.

『During their travels they would save other demon-kin that were oppressed, he would even help humans. Maou would not neglect troubled people and it was because of that it made the Dragon God's yearning for his attention grow. 』

… H-huh? My image of Maou is a bit different though…

『 Time passed and upon noticing the enormous amount of followers Maou decided to found a country. The Dragon God was a good friend of

Maou's and thus lived in relative harmony and peace. The country was overflowing with happiness.』

…

『However, another race had become aware of Maou's country and was unhappy-. It was the humans. They eventually got into the Demon Nation ravaging the land, enslaving its residents because they were jealous of the nation that was built as like theirs and that there was peace. Once someone becomes a slave their existence was destroyed and they could never come back. The humans began to ruin the beautiful country all for their own desire, their sense of superiority and their greed.』

…

『To destroy the Demon Nation the humans would have to face the many strong demons and the Dragon God overwhelming offensive power and they could not afford to mess around. Around that time, they were able to devise a ritual to summon a Hero.』

This is where the Hero enters… I just can't believe the origin of the hero summoning was started for such a deplorable reason…

『A hero summoning ritual is classified into two categories. The first way that was used is to summon a Hero from a strange world. This is to ensure the Hero has an aptitude towards fighting and the power to use it effectively. This time it was a brave man who was given the Hero's power

and was thus born. The Hero advanced upon Maou's country and slaughtered many demons. Even the Black Dragon God and Maou himself stood before the Hero's attack, but the Black Dragon God was powerless before the hero's power. And Maou was without any help was before him now. When Maou was defeated in front of the Black Dragon God's eyes. As if to deny the world, the Black Dragon God rampaged wildly destroying everything completely…. As a result, the Black Dragon God could not defeat the Hero, and was sealed in the labyrinth. The Black Dragon God didn't want to lose twice and any more important things. The Black Dragon God continued to think about things in the labyrinth, continuing to store power. He wished to spend every day peacefully with Maou. 』

UWAAAAAAAAA!

I'm so sorry! I didn't think about the Black Dragon God's circumstances at all! I couldn't forgive him for harming Altria but after reading this I can't help but wonder how much of that fight was caused by my short temper…! Also that time with the walking treasure box… if only we could have talked it out… Anyways, if this is story true, the human race is garbag-ummm… I mean there is no salvation for them.

Well I'm basically a human. I'm a creature based on desires. I have desires like them… well not like the perverts at the guild. It's not like you should deny your beliefs but you should abandon your desires in a sense. Noble desires are a great thing and thanks to the Dragon God's story I won't suffer the same fate as the Demon Nation and the Hero. Even so I only empathize with the Hero's side because I am human.

From the time I was a child my parents always told me to look at things from the another person's perspective. If you can do that then you will not be able to hold onto any prejudices and your awkwardness when around them will lessen. This will cause the other party to be more relaxed as well. If everyone was like that there would be no crime, only room for mutual compromise… again I think communication is extremely important.

I earnestly felt, that I knew the importance of communication. Once I closed the book it turned into a ball of light and entered my body. The Black Dragon God's experiences were the most I've gotten so far. The experiences with the humans and all his combat experience thanks to that I have understood many new ways to fight.

I then turned to the treasure chest.

「Now then… other than gold what's in here?」

Overwhelmed with pure curiosity I opened the box. There was a bag of money and what seemed to be a hooded coat. First I grabbed the bag of cash, there was a staggering amount of white gold in there…

What I mean is there was enough to cause an inflation…

It wouldn't be strange to get slightly dizzy from the amount there was, I thought as I slipped it into my item box. Lastly I took out the coat to look it over. The coat was actually a long pure black coat with a hood that had some white fur on it. On the back was golden embroidery that gave off a strangely wonderful feeling.

… It had an unreal chunnibyou feeling to it…

But I needed something to hide my hair in town thanks to the robe that the sheep had given me being burned to a crisp.

The long coat had a little chunnibyou feel to it but it wasn't uncool.

While thinking that I analyzed the long coat.

『 Long Coat of the Black Champion 』

「 Fantasy class equipment. The symbol of power bestowed from the Black Dragon God 」

「 Heat Resistant 」「 Cold Resistant 」

「 The wearer will always be at a comfortable temperature 」

「 Stab Resistant 」「 Impact Resistant 」

「 The average weapon will not so much as leave a scratch 」

「 Enhancement to all magic power 」

「 Dirt resistant 」

「 Experience acquisition usually drops significantly 」

I don't understand it all but it seems pretty amazing. What's that last sentence? Does that mean with this equipped it will be extremely hard to raise my level? Well I'm not really worried about my level because of the performance of the coat but…

Anyways I'll wear it for now even if my level is unlikely to raise it still protects me from the elements and the rise in my defense and magic powers are nothing to scoff at. Before I go raising my level and becoming stronger I should work on controlling what I already have.

I immediately try to put it on and surprisingly it fitted well.

Recently I have found a lot of amazing things, is this because of my luck?

While thinking those things I finished putting away all the loot and went over to Saria who has been looking after Altria this whole time.

「 Ah, Seiichi! You're already finished? 」

「 Well for once there wasn't that much 」

「 Oh that's right… Sheep-san didn't show up this time huh. 」

「 Wha? 」

Saria reminded me of what happened last time we cleared a dungeon. Yeah wouldn't be strange if the sheep appeared this time too but he said he only shows up if you clear the true meaning of a labyrinth. In that case is the condition for truly clearing this one for the Dragon God to live in peace with Maou?

…How much more difficult than that can it get?

If I were to accomplish that I would need to pull on my cheeks to make sure I'm still awake.

Pop! Suddenly there was a small explosion in a space where there was nothing.

"What!"

"Now?"

I immediately raised my guard but seeing Saria leisurely look on made me feel like an idiot. While I was staring at the space the explosion took place in a small piece of paper fell.

Wh-what?

I warily picked it up and noticed there was some writing on it.

「Seiichi, what's on it?」

「 I don’t know but it has some writing on it. 」

However, I wonder why I feel like something similar has happened before…

I read the paper out loud

『 Hello, it’s Sheep-san. 』

「 Haa (sigh), just as I thought! 」

I kind of had the same feeling when I received the Full Face Helmet!

My face contorted unintentionally as Saria smiled.

「 Eh!? Is that a letter from Sheep-san!? 」

「 Eh? W-well in this place… 」

「 Read it! Read it! 」

目をキラキラと輝かせながら、サリアがそう言ってくるので、俺は再び口に出して読むことにした。

『とりあえず、ダンジョン踏破、おめでとうございます。順調に人間をやめていらっしゃるようで何よりです』

うるせぇよ！

With Saria’s eyes brightly shining I began to read it aloud again.

『 For now, congratulations for traversing the dungeons. It seems nothing can stop a favoured human! 』

Shut up!

『 I think you already know this but I am unable to meet with you this time since you did not clear the true meaning of this dungeon. …Aww, please don’t make such a sad face. I know you wanted to see me no matter what but… 』

What should I do? I’m being tempted to beat a sheep.

『 Ugh… Your dangerous way of thinking hasn’t changed at all but please be at ease. I welcome your tsun tsun attitude Seiichi-sama because I can properly understand your heart. …Now it’s embarrassment right? 』

SHUUUUT UUUUP!!!

More importantly, I was wondering how he could read my feelings without even meeting!?

『 Because I am a sheep. 』

“That can’t be the reason!”

『 Well, anyways, what I wanted to say is it’s been a blessing that you cleared two dungeons. Good luck on clearing more from now on. I look forward to seeing how Seiichi-sama returns to anything that’s living, let alone humans. Well then, Sarria-ojousama I bid you good day. From everyone’s favorite idol sheep. 』

…

「 From beginning to end it was that sheep’s pace… 」

「Sheep-san take care of yourself! 」

Un, I think he’s staying healthy but, just once, I’d like him to die. If you think such a thing…

There was more at the bottom of the paper.

『 PS: I will be taking a vacation for a while due to your clearing abilities. Please exercise caution when truly clearing dungeons for a while. 』

「 Do your jooooooob! 」

For some reason the image of a sheep wearing a Hawaiian shirt while surfing popped into my head.

「 We hope your vacation is enjoyable Sheep-san. 」

「 No! No! No! 」

Saria that sheep is saying because of us lessening his work load he's going off to play and ignore his work. That shouldn't happen!

That was a terrible tsukko I thought while adjusting my breathing.

「 Haa… Whatever. The sheep won't show up next time then. 」

「 That's too bad huh. 」

Never come back. Ah wait, then I won't be able to beat…

「 Alright, I stored all the things that needed storing… All that's left now is to go home! Let's go! 」

「 Un! Let's hurry home! 」

While listening to Saria's reply I began to prepare space magic.

「Saria, hold on to me so that you move with the space magic.」

「Ok!」

While listening to Sarria's overly enthusiastic reply she grabbed my robe.

Ok… Now then, that's Altria-san's…

「Ok. Now for Altria…」(Sarria)

It's the first time I've used this magic so I'm not sure exactly what effect it'll have so I wanted both of them touching me directly just like when we came here to begin with. It wasn't my intention to have these women hang all over me, maybe, but I figured since it worked when we came here it should work when the same going back.

It would be surprising if I suddenly appeared in the middle of a street with a woman riding on me piggy back and me carrying another that is passed out. To avoid that kind of embarrassment I should transfer us somewhere void of judgmental eyes. So I decided to transfer somewhere a little away from the Imperial City and will be forced to suffer carrying Altria-san back to the city in this kind of embrace. Of course it was a princess carry…

「…No way, I didn't think the day would ever come when I have to perform a piggyback and a princess carry in the same day.」

Saria was happily riding piggy back. This is something I never thought possible, normally this becomes a hug with various things touching. It's mainly a problem for my mental health...

「 Well then, let's go! 」

「 Un! 」

I didn't do anything special. Just like that I activated the space magic 『 Transition 』 and teleported to somewhere close to the Imperial City.

◆◇◆

「N...a,aa...」

I unintentionally shut my eyes when I activated the transfer magic, once I opened them I leaked a confused voice.

「Are we here?」

I heard Saria's voice behind me and in my hands I held Altria.

And the place we transferred to was the same place we had transferred from, in front of Terveil the Imperial city's wall.

「We made it home safely」

I involuntarily muttered. While it seems I used the transfer magic well, honestly I was scared and shut my eyes. That's why I don't know exactly what transporting looked like. It's rather unfortunate.

「Well then… truthfully our original mission was to subjugate slimes, which we haven't completed, Altria has fainted, maybe we should just obediently go home.」

「You're right. Even if we did that … Somehow I get the feeling it could take a long time.」

「Eh? What would?」

「 Yeah… We were in the labyrinth for such a long time I feels like I haven't been to the guild in forever.」

「Yeah, you said it…」

That's true a single day hasn't passed but it sure feels like it took longer than that. Maybe it was the dark atmosphere in the Labyrinth?

「Well whatever. Let's go.」

「Yeah.」

Thus, we began walking toward Terveil.

Along the way, so that we did not get transferred again, we moved carefully.

Eventually, Saria and I began talking a little while we walked.

「...n. ...n? 」

「Oh, Altria-san!」

「Thank goodness. You woke up! 」

Altria whom was unconscious in my arms, woke up.

Altria-san didn't seem to understand the situation as she was floating a hazy expression.

「Where are we...?」

「At the Imperial City Terveil. We came back safely. 」

While smiling under my hood , Altria-san murmured「I see」, after a while, I saw a wonderful sight.

「Tte... ha!? You said we're back!?」

「Yeah. See, please look at what is in front of your eyes」

Altria had a surprised expression as she looked out at the distance to the Imperial city Terveil.

「Well, we seriously came back you know…」

While muttering to herself with a surprised face, Altria finally noticed.

「N?… Hey, what do you think you're doing being so close while staring at me like that?

「Eh? That's… because I'm carrying you. 」

「…」

At first she didn't seem to understand and tilted her head to the side. Gradually she began to understand the meaning of what was said.

「L-let go!」

「Uwa~tsu! Cho~ts! Please calm down! 」

「Just put me down already! First off, I'm heavy right!?」

「E~e~tsu? You are completely light, and I don't mind it? 」

「~~~~tsu! It's not about you, I'm the one that has to worry about it! 」

Altria was extremely red in the face as she rampaged about in my arms.

No, in fact she was pretty light… Well she was certainly being held by me, I didn't know if she was embarrassed but she fought to the point of exhaustion against the Black Dragon God… and that's how it turned into a princess carry.

「A-a-a-anyways put me down ~tsu! If y-you d-don't I may hit you ya know! 」

「Please don't say that while beating on me!」

Altria was really rampaging about when I placed her on the ground.

It wasn't really because getting hit hurt but as expected of my monstrously idiotic luck.

「Haa… Haa…!」

Altria breathed on my shoulder.

She repeatedly let out heavy breaths and tried to walk on her own.

「A…」

「Otto」

As I thought, her body hadn't fully regained its strength yet. It seemed like she was going to collapse again. I was supporting her shoulder.

Looking at the state Altria was in Saria said…

「It’s no good? Altria-san’s wounds have healed but your physical strength isn’t getting any better. Let Seiichi carry you! 」

「Ha!? A-as if I could do something so embarrassing! 」

「But didn’t you know he’s been carrying you this whole time?」

「Ugaaaaa! That’s because I had fainted…! 」

「A-T A-N-Y R-A-T-E! Let Seiichi carry you! 」

「That’s wh――」

「Rejected!」

Altria-san was being stubborn and adamantly refused Saria’s suggestion to be carried by me. Saria’s atmosphere was becoming unusually serious with protests and for the time being the I could only voice a large sigh

「U-uua… Waaa… I get it… I get it! All I need to do is let him carry me right!?」

「Yep!」

Satisfied with Altria's answer, Saria was smiling and nodding.

「Well then Seiichi. Like a while ago…」

「ooh, that's good…」

Suddenly staring at me Altria-san points at me, with her cheeks dyed red, as she glared she said with a voice of superiority.

「It's because it can't be helped-tsu! Don't misunderstand that Seiichi!?」

Eh? Wa-a…」

Well I don't really understand but if don't carry her the mood won't be able to change.

That's what I thought as I lightly picked Altria-san up in a princess carry.

「Uu…」

You could tell that Altria's face was dyed a deep red even with her face buried in my chest. This person is extremely beautiful and is cute in times like this. I'm sure I'd get beaten if I said that. While I quietly and pathetically think that we again begin shuffling our feet towards Terveil in complete silence. It wasn't really awkward or anything even with Altria hiding her face completely avoiding me. It was so quiet I eventually started wanting to hear a nice voice. …This might be somewhat awkward.

The only one smiling was Saria, while looking at the state that Altria

and I were in, while watching butterflies and other things scurry around.

In this way, we continued in silence until as if making an effort to destroy it Altria-san suddenly said something.

「…I'm at fault」

「Eh?」

Due to the sudden apology I wasn't able to say anything back. Anyways, why was she apologizing to me? In a small voice Altria-san continued.

「…That is… for involving you in my misfortune…」

「Eh? O-oh. That type of thing—」

「That type of thing is why I'm sorry~tsu」

Suddenly Altria raised her voice and I unintentionally put more strength into my carry.

Saria was the only one able to move around and was running here and there so she did not hear Altria's voice.

「I…! I involve you guys in situations where you could possibly die!? And yet. Why are you letting me accompany you!?

「…」

This is… Yeah. I replied in a light tone. Although I am not sure exactly how Altria-san feels, what she had just said didn't seem negotiable.

Altria-san murmured something quietly and a transparent plate appeared in the air.

「…This is my status. You can look if you like.」

「Eh, but…」

「Come on already. …Well you might already have an idea.」

While Altria-san was imposing her status on me I was somehow able to verify it while still holding on to her. Then, there was some ridiculous stats written there.

<< Altria Guremu>>

Race: Human

Sex: Female

Occupation: Warrior

Age: 19

Level: 123

Magic: 100

ATK: 5000

DEF: 3824

AGL: 4200

Magic ATK: 345

Magic DEF: 2221

Luck: -2,000,000 [The person who is burdened with disaster]

Charm: Unmeasurable

「!?」

I was speechless at the contents of her status.

Her charm is unmeasurable, well that can already be understood because of how gorgeous she is.

Her level of 123, while a far cry from my own, is still within an acceptable range.

But… What's with this luck value?

My luck is beyond light compared to this negative number. Moreover, … to have had it so long that there is a title associated with it.

While I had a lot of things floating around in my head Altria-san began describing what happened in a lonely voice.

「My luck… is it unexpected? I'm the type of person that has [The person who is burdened with disaster] written next to it. 」

「[The person who is burdened with disaster]?」

「I've had that curse since I was born. Its effect is simple. It just adds a negative to the value… that's it. 」

In other words, Altria-san's luck becomes negative…

If she didn't have this curse she'd have higher luck than me.

Why is it…

Now that I think about it, Altria probably guessed my feelings and that must have been why she told me.

「Well, I have no idea why I have this curse but it has caused countless deaths… So much that it would be fine for it to cause my own. I can't

endure everyone around me getting hurt because of this curse anymore.」

「…」

「In Terveil, everyone knows of my situation and it wouldn't be a stretch to say that thanks to those guys it whole town has become a special place to me. Thanks to that the whole town has been preventing people from getting into trouble I have been able to live happily. That's why I cannot be separated from it. If I were to go to a different town there would be misfortune just from being around me.」

For Altria-san it seems we are people the curse has no effect on and thus is not unhappy being around us…

Upon noticing this anger began to well up inside of me.

Why should someone so kind go through something like this and not become bitter.

「That's why I avoid everyone. It certainly is sad but more than that I am the cause of everyone around me misfortunes… That's even worse.」

「…」

「I once thought maybe there was a way to stop the curse. I had someone put up a barrier and many other things but they all failed. That's why, from now on too, I will continue to be surrounded by unhappiness. For the sake of this world I am an unnecessary person. That's why

involving my misfortune with you guys… really… bad… really… 」

Altria-san paused with a downcast face. I was really an idiot. I thought I was the one suffering up until now. Without even being aware of it I ended up hurting her. I had answered with a light heart and would like to skip the beating this time. I don’t know if it was unscrupulous to think this but hearing about Altria-san made me happy. When I responded to the request, the atmosphere seemed heavy and made it a difficult topic to approach without even knowing the reason why. Thus it’s possible to understand the kind of time that Altria-san was having. And so to Altria-san, whom has confided in me, I want to explain my own circumstances.

I don’t know if it would help her hear at all. Perhaps it could help somewhere or it could cause pain again.

Even so I still want to tell her.

「……」

「Altria-san. I never thought of you as unfortunate since I’ve met you. 」

「Eh? 」

「Not just me, Saria feels the same.」

「…」

「Certainly this time we were caught in a situation where we could die from any misstep this time but… we survived. Saria and I were… safe. 」

「!」

「Even though it was dangerous we were safe. Moreover, even though Altria-san gave us an overabundance of time to complete the test we still had to cancel it. Even though it's pretty serious we still had fun. 」

「…」

「Altria-san. You said we would become unhappy? 」

「…」

As I speak Altria-san's head begins to hang a bit.

「Fortunate or unfortunate, eventually that kind of thing doesn't matter. The person that thinks they are unfortunate will become unfortunate just as someone that lets off a happy feeling will become so. The time Saria and I spent with you was— by no means unfortunate.

That is, your confidence doesn't matter, your misfortune won't be transferred to us. 」

「… tsu」

「Altria-san never became an unneeded person. So… please don't speak poorly of yourself. 」

「…」

Up until that point Altria-san's head was hanging so low that I could not see her face.

Did I upset her? Did I hurt her? Even so those were my true feelings. I had to say them no matter what.

Silence once again took command between us. Saria, who had not heard any of the conversation between the two of us, gleefully rushed towards us.

「Altria-san! Gyu-tsu! 」

「! 」

Sarria tightly hugged Altria-san in my arms.

「If Altria-san thinks she's so unlucky I'll give her some of mine! You're wrong because you are surrounded by all those kind people! 」

「… ha-ha」

I unintentionally smiled due to Saria's words. It must be because she isn't human, her wild instincts were picking up on it?

Why is it even though she was just gleefully running around until a little while ago she can have such insight?

Her ability to heal people without knowing they need healing is amazing.

Altria who was being held, had still not lifted her face.

After that there wasn't any conversation in particular.

The silence was different than the original silence it was more loose.

While walking silent, we reached the gate of the Imperial capital Teruveil at last.

「... Hmm?」

Even though we arrived in silence, there was something noisy happening at the gate.

「What happened?」

Saria had noticed the disturbance and had asked.

Since I was also curious I tilted my neck a little. Then we noticed a familiar face and while we showed a look of surprise they rushed over to us with a smile.

「Hey, Seiichi! Oh and also Sarria-jo even Altria! 」

「Oh, Claude」

Claude and a soldier ran up to us.

I thought Claude had a frantic look as he was approaching then they started talking at once.

「Where have you guys been!? We were worried you know! 」

「What?」

Due to the threatening tone I responded in a goofy voice.

「You guys went to kill the slimes three days ago… we really thought you guys weren't coming back!」

「W-wait a minute!」

I stood still as my brain tried to work out what Claude said.

What did Claude say?

Did he say we haven't come back for three days?

「H-hey Claude. We didn't leave yesterday to kill slimes? 」

It was too incredible to fully believe so I unintentionally asked.

Claude's raised eyebrows gave me the answer.

「No matter what is said three days have passed.」

「「「…」」」

The three of us couldn't reply upon hearing Claude's words.

In other words, three days passed here while we searched inside that Labyrinth…

Looking at us standing there dumbfounded Claude knew something was strange. His face changed from a sense of urgency to a face of relief.

「I don't really understand what's going on … anyways I'm glad you guys are safe. Just now I was on my way to investigate your disappearance. 」

「Eh?」

I-investigate?

「Claude. Do you mean it's for only the three of us that went missing that you gather these people to search for us? 」

Even while asking this Claud's appearance alone screamed that was the

case.

「That's kind of obvious isn't it? If someone you know goes missing, you go search for them.」

「「「…」」」

Again the three of us were dumbfounded.

Normally, you would not gather this amount of people to go search for an acquaintance that has gone missing.

This group of people had gathered to search for us.

In front of us, who were at a loss for words, Claude said in a loud voice to everyone that had gathered.

「Everyone! All three have returned! Thank you for gathering!」

The people seemed to calm down then came to speak with us one by one.

「Oh! That's good!」

「Didn't you know we were worried?」

「Don't suddenly disappear again!」

Surrounded by all those smiling faces we went through the gate into town.

「Now that you guys are back safely I should get to work.」

Claude said while straightening his back.

Then while showing us this appearance we left.

「Oh, yeah that's right. You know everyone at the guild was worried too? Hurry up and show your faces there. 」

Claude said as he walked towards the gate guard.

It was too late, I tsukkomi'd that everyone had already seen me princess carrying Altria-san.

Even though they were stunned we still finished the procedures for entering the town.

On the way to the Guild, every person we passed showed a relieved face upon seeing Altria-san.

Some people also wore an expression of wonder that I was carrying Altria-san as well.

「Are you ok!? Seiichi-san is carrying her but …」

「Y-yes. I'm fine. 」

Altria-san had been completely silent while we were returning, giving Eris-san peace of mind.

「Th-that's great, you all were safe…」

Ellis-san said as a tear welled up in the corner of her eye.

It-t's really a relief. You really worried all of us.

Gusser announced everyone's wellbeing to the Guild.

「Everyone! Altria's group has returned! Ha-ha My muscles are enraptured…!

Upon hearing Gusser's words everyone cheered loudly.

「That's a relief! With this you can participate in voyeurism to your heart's content! 」

「Yup, the most important thing is that you're fine! Today I will bless you by bearing my naked body before your eyes! 」

「Now share this joy between yourselves!」

「The celebration of your guys return will break the Guild!」

「「「Stop it you idiot!」」」

In a moment chaos dominated the guild once again.

Eris-san began whipping a dirty old man as Gusser climbed up on his desk and began taking muscle poses one after another.

Stunned, I looked at the chaotic guild and understood one thing.

As with the Black Dragon God's past Human beings will do anything to satisfy their desires.

Conversely I'm not sure if it would be human to be without desire.

In, particular, the guy's that were faithfully displaying their desires to us at that moment.

Human beings may be disgusting, dirty, and ugly creatures but more than that they live passionately.

I rejected that passion, even that time with Kenji and Shota, and because of that rejection I lived a very lonely life.

It's not that humans can't live a lonely life. It's that humans don't live while they are alone.

I lived a painful life because I rejected the warmth of people. I don't want Altria-san to have the same experience.

Still in my arms Altria-san stared dumbfounded.

「Altria-san. Everyone is happy… the people around you whom are supposed to be unhappy are seemingly happy.」

「…」

「They may be more important to you than you know, Altria.」

「Surrounded by all these warm people I would feel an honest desire too…」

「…」

「Please show yourself more, rely on others, and don't keep to yourself all the time. Look around… all these people are happy just because you returned.」

「…」

「You're not unlucky. It's a little embarrassing to say… but you are loved.

」

「tsu」

「I'll say it again. You are not unlucky and —— not a <<disaster>>. 」

「!」

「Kind, meddlesome, and wearing the skin of an older sister is the only kind of trouble I've seen you cause. Even to Saria and me… and most likely to this guild as well, no one worries about your condition. Everyone loves all of you. 」

「…」

People may have thought you will cause unluckiness but all we caught from you —— was happiness

「—-」

Somehow conveying what I wanted to say has been really hard.

I never thought conveying your feelings was that hard…

While thinking about Altria's feelings she suddenly jumped out of my arms and ran out of the guild.

…

「Eh?」

「Wai! Why!? Did she run!?」

It was so sudden that all I could do is be surprised.

What, why!? Did I hurt her feelings!?

Saria flashed a look that said anyone would be flustered.

「Seiichi! Chase after Altria-san! 」

「Eetsu? B-but」

「It’s ok! Seiichi’s feelings were transmitted. Right? 」

How are women so strong. I feel pathetic as a man when compared.

It was thanks to Saria my brain was a mess.

No matter what I tried I couldn’t think straight. Chase Altria-san.

Not just that.

「I understand! I’ll be out for a bit! 」

「Ya! Have a nice trip! 」

Having Saria see me off, I left the guild in order to search for Altria.

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「Altria-san, Where are you?」

I had left the guild to follow Altria-san and even though I was outside there was no trace of her.

「… Maybe there are too many people around here to see her… 」

There are a surprising amount of people in the capital city of Telbel.

「That's right! I can use the『Search』skill in this situation」

In the "acquired" section of the skills menu I have a skill called『Search』. It can search for any living thing within a 500 meter radius.

It should activate immediately.

I activated『Search』and — my shoulders drooped.

I… Why didn't I realize it already.

It certainly did find every living thing but…

「I can't identify an individual person…! 」

Once I activated『Search』every living thing's position within a 500 meter radius rushed into my head and made me a little dizzy.

「I won't be able to tell where she went with this.」

Meh, it would be better to ask around.

I was reminded of the Black Dragon God's story… Communication is important!

I called out to a few ladies that were passing by.

「Excuse me! Do you have a moment? I'm looking for someone…」

「I don't mind in particul… ar, ara? Aren't you Seiichi-san? 」

「Eh? … A-Adriana-san!?」

What a coincidence. What are the chances that the lady I called out to happens to be the Countess that owned the white "dog". What a small world.

「What happened? You're looking for someone…」

「That is… I'm searching for Altria-san… have you seen her?」

「What? Altria-chan? Ya… I haven't seen her.」

「Is that so…」

「I'm sorry that I can't be of any help…」

「Ah no! I mean… thank you very much.」

「You're welcome.」

After saying my thanks I began to move away from Adriana-san.

Judging by Adriana-san's reaction she suddenly remembered something.

「Ah, that's right. Seiichi-san」

「Yes?」

「Would you happen to be aware of Altria-chan's… predisposition?」

「Well, yeah…」

「In that case, can I ask a favor of you?」

The sudden request caused me to respond with a goofy sound which caused Adriana-san to smile.

「Will you be able to get along with Altria-san? Even though she doesn't look to be delicate, she is on the inside.」

「I am already well aware of that.」

「That's why just a little is fine. I want you to snuggle with her a little.」

「Snuggle?」

I tilted my head as I didn't fully understand what Adriana-san wanted.

Adriana-san laughed a bit then continued.

「Even if you don't fully understand it'll be fine. Just stay the same Seiichi-san that will diligently search for Altria-chan.」

「…I don't really understand but Altria-san is a very important person to me. That's why… 」

Up until now Adriana-san has been just smiling and halting my search.

「In that case it's fine. So, shall I let you continue searching for Altria-chan? Oji-sama ♪ (old man) 」

「She called me Oji-sama… 」

I unintentionally released a bitter smile at Adriana-san's words.

Soon after I parted with Adriana-san and continued the search for Altria-san.

「Should I start asking around again…」

I was beginning to think so but switched to wondering if I had a convenient item for this situation.

I took out a silver stone shaped like a compass needle. (TL: I will henceforth call this item the silver needle) I couldn't use it in the Black Dragon God's Labyrinth because it was a closed off space. …well I did just end up destroying all the walls that were in my way.

Well, I'm outside this time.

I could track her from the roofs if I knew her direction!

The Silver Needle began to float and pointed across the street.

Progress has been made.

「I see… This direction huh.」

The Silver Needle was spinning in the item box and I looked the way it pointed. (TL: honestly I don't understand what she's talking about I thought he took it out… it actually say dancing at the item box… IDK goodluck)「…That? …That direction is…」

Then, to catch up to Altria-san, I began running in the direction the Silver Needle had pointed to.

「Of course…」

Following the Silver Needle's guidance I arrived at a familiar place.

「This is… Isn't this where my first request was?」

That's right, this is where I completed my first test to join the guild… 『Dismantle the Ruins』 is what the request said.

I felt I could complete it without any skill because no one was around then.

However, I destroyed it without thinking and there was only rubble left.

I activated 『Search』.

Then, because no one was around, immediately a reaction from Altria-san was displayed.

Without any hesitation I walked over there and — found.

「Altria-san.」

Altria-san was hidden in the shade of some rubble sitting on her knees.

Upon hearing my voice her shoulders fluttered a bit along with some other movement but remained silent.

I sat down near her but because her back was facing me I couldn’t see her facial expression.

Silence was all that was heard for a while and in that silence I made no attempt to start a conversation.

I had no idea what to say… because I had no idea why she had suddenly run.

More than that I wanted to wait for Altria-san to explain it to me.

I was thinking this when a small voice came from Altria-san.

「Hey…Seiichi」

「…What is it?」

「Is someone… Like me actually… needed?」

「…Yes」

「Even though someone like me will always cause problems?」

「 Something like that is definitely not true.」

「 …You really don’t dislike the idea…?」

「…Really. Everyone loves Altria-san. Sarria, Gassul, and even Ellis… Everyone considers you important. Even I love you.」

I never thought as Altria-san as someone that shouldn’t exist.

Explaining my love is extremely embarrassing but they are my true feelings so it can’t be helped.

I mean, if you don’t say it no one will know.

Upon hearing my words, Altria-san was facing down with her shoulders

trembling.

「Is that… so?」

「…Everyone around me… considers me important… I too… everyone important…」

「…Uu… gu~tsu…(gulping sound)」

Altria-san buried her face in her lap muffling her now frantic weeping.

What should I do at times like this?

Kenji or Shota would have been in this setting before. Unfortunately, I have always been traveling on the unpopular person's road. I don't know how to comfort women.

Isn't there something I can do for Altria-san who is crying right in front of me?

I squeezed my hand. I can't save her heart.

I am not a pure militaristic power. I was reminded of the very important fact that there are some things I am powerless against.

At that time, suddenly Adriana's words popped into my head.

『I want you to snuggle with her a little』

…Snuggle?

How do I… Snuggle? Physically? Or emotionally?

…Physically would probably be a little strange.

In that case, emotionally…

As I became more and more confused I began to think of how Sarria had cheered up Altria-san.

『Altria-san! Gyu~tsu! 』

From the moment I remembered Saria's actions my body was already

moving on its own as if it was prompted from Saria.

I hugged Altria-san from behind.

When Saria hugged Altria-san like this I was in wonder as to her insight into Altria-san's anxiety filled heart. It was not like that this time. Altria-san was happy from being freed of that anxiety but was also confused. She had thought of herself as a calamity but instead she was rather liked by everyone. Contrary to earlier, how should I have contact with everyone… I think that kind of anxiety was swirling around.

だけど今、そのサリアはいない。(I know I added words in this one… It's due to not having an equal expression in English…) It's too late once a child becomes insecure, regardless of the foundation a parent lays in the heart with what they say, a new understanding happens. If a parent thinks a child has insecurities they will handle them gently as if there are a fragile package. It was the same with Saria when we talked about the orphanage. Apparently she is naturally displaying her maternal instincts. Saria had also seen through Altria-san's anxiety earlier and had handled her gently hugging her from behind to give her peace of mind… but Saria isn't here this time.

There is no one else here that can become Altria-san's foundation. It may be a completely unreliable foundation but a little should be fine…

「It's ok. If Altria-san is uneasy then I'll stay right here. For as long as it takes for you to calm down.」

「Na~tsu!? A..au…uu…」

…huh?

I thought it would be good to calm Altria-san down even if it was just a little so I imitated Saria's hug…

Somehow the crying had stopped and even though I couldn't see her face her ears were visibly red as they peeked through her beautiful silver hair.

...No, if you thoroughly think about it, haven't I... done something extremely daring?

The moment my head reached the conclusion my face became hot. Oh... my face is definitely bright red...!

No, calm down! No matter how much patience it requires! I think Altria-san's heart should have relaxed a little.

Aah... Altria-san smells good.

... That's not the point?! Why should I relax!?

Ah, wait a minute! I don't smell right!? I'm okay right!?

I know the title『smell player』once perfectly cut though... Ah my own insecure side has come out. That's why someone gently hugged me!

Interrupting me, my arm was lightly patted as I hugged Altria-san.

「Alright... I'm fine already」

「Eh? Ah, ok!」

Separating really is embarrassing.

Then Altria-san's face was deep red and she began fidgeting.

「T-that... is. Um... was embarrassing...」

I was also embarrassed! ...I wanted to shout. I held it in.

「For hugging... thank... you...」

With her cheeks dyed red and while looking slightly upward Altria-san had said so.

…I thought I was more or less resistant to beautiful girls because of Saria.

But… I couldn't do it. The destructive power we horrible. My resistance won't come out.

As a result of Altria-san's cute gestures I could do nothing but dote on her.

Once again an indescribably air subtly flows around us.

…More than that, I think it's good that Altria-san had the opportunity to face the person she had been avoiding eye contact with until now.

Still, Altria-san's curse had not been solved.

It seemed like Altria-san's acquaintances had been searching for ways to break the curse…

But… the luck status was -2 million huh… Thinking about it again, that value is tremendous.

As long as Altria-san has the「The person who is burdened with disaster」title, she won't be able to stop thinking about painful things.

Is there nothing that can be done? Something I can do…

…Damn it… Not one thing comes to mind…

If only Altria-san's luck value didn't have the negative…

…The negative… didn't exist…?

Suddenly I realized.

The way to solve Altria-san's curse…!

「Altria-san! Hand! Give me your hand please!」

「I beg of you!」

In response to my appeal Altria-san held out her left hand with a dubious expression.

I immediately took out the equipment from the item box.

「H-hey. Just what are you doing?」

Altria-san raised a voice in confusion.

But her voice didn't reach my ears at that moment.

I took out the equipment I had received from the treasure box, 『The Ring of Misfortune』.

Altria-san noticed the intent to put the ring that was taken out on her finger.

…Which finger should I put it on?

Come to think of it…. It wasn't mentioned if the ring will resize itself automatically for the wearer…

It's possible that it may not fit on any of Altria-san's fingers.

…Eei! My luck in finding this ring will cancel the negative on Altria-san's luck!

Now all that remains is for the ring to cancel the negative!

With that I checked Altria-san's fingers one by one.

「Se-seiichi?」

I caught a glimpse of Altria-san's appearance who was bright red in the face and a little misty in the eyes!

…Due to the cuteness that could likely cause me to fall in love I consciously moved back to Altria-san's left hand.

「…Thumb… no good. Index… no good. In that case middle… ku~tsu! 」

The remaining ones are the ring finger and the pinky…

The pinky is obviously too small even if it is Altria-san.

In that case it can't be helped.

Coming to that conclusion I slid it on her ring finger.

Oh! Perfect!

As luck would have it the ring perfectly fit Altria-san's finger and I unintentionally smiled under the hood.

Suddenly the ring began to emit a divine light!

「Wh-what the!?」

Altria-san and I were dumbfounded.

Despite the ring shining right in front of my face there was no damage to my eyes. Instead Altria-san and I were wrapped in a soft light.

Eventually the soft light faded and the ring continuously emitted a small violet glow.

With exception of the light its appearance didn't really change.

Somehow I couldn't see the ring in front of me as the same.

Spontaneously I used my appraisal skill.

『The Ring of Happiness』…Dream class equipment. A blessing from two people's feelings for each other— By treasure chest. The curse on the wearer is cancelled and luck is doubled.

Treasure cheeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeest!

You were that kind of guy…! How long are you going to keep helping me!

I don't really understand the part about two peoples feelings but thanks to you Altria-san was saved!

I should tell her that her curse was solved.

「Altria-san! Your curse is solved!」

「Aaaah! I'll explain later. For now just check your status!」

As I excitedly say that Altria-san begins to confirm her status with a little bit of a low atmosphere.

As Altria-san looks at her status her eyes open wide.

「N-no way… that's right?」

「It's true.」

「T-that's a lie. Th-this happiness continues. I received that from everyone… everything, it has to be a dream…!

Altria-san was in a tizzy due to the sudden situation.

To help Altria-san calm down I firmly took her hand.

「You may not believe it but this isn't a dream! You are no longer a calamity! 」

「Please look at this ring! This is what solved your curse!」

I showed her the ring of misfortune — the ring of happiness on her finger.

Altria-san looked dumbfounded as I was speaking.

「That's why… I think you've had your share of unhappiness already, from now on be happy. I—- will support you with everything I have. 」

Let's look back at the situation.

First, I comforted Altria-san

Then, remembering the existence of the ring I got from the Treasure

Chest I put it on her left ring finger.

Finally, melting away the curse and promising to support Altria-san with everything I have from now on.

「Isn't that a proposal!? 」

The fuck did I do!? This kind of a ridiculous mistake!?

Isn't the left ring finger where the wedding ring goes! Why didn't I notice earlier!

… Huh? But… It could only be like that on Earth. Isn't this a different world?

Now that I think about it, in the first place a ring may not even be proof of marriage…

「but then Altria-san's reaction… aaaaaaaah! I don't understand! 」

There's no point in escaping reality; while feeling that I chased down Altria-san.

Damn it~tsu! After this whole Altria-san uproar we'll thoroughly examine this whole hero thing and everything else in this world!

…Ah but…

「 If Altria-san is better now then… that's good enough for now. 」

Finishing up to now, we're on top a mountain of rubble.

Under the clear blue sky; it feels like an image of a Treasure box giving a thumbs up should be floating there.

「1.. 2.. 3.. Oh, it looks like I get some money for helping people.」

「What? How much?」

「10,000 G 」

「That much!? 」

「My turn next… Oh. I also got a 3」

「Ok then move your piece」

「Ok. Um… Oh it looks like I get 50,000 G in baby gifts from the next person to roll」

「So much!? K the next person is… It's me!」

I —- Bell Giselle, the fat Terry Hemuto, and the overly skinny Bosco Dan were playing.

「Well… Humans sure think of interesting things huh.」

「Ya I think so too. What was the name of this game again?」

「Wasn't it… 『The Game of Life』 at least that's what I thought it was called.」

That's right. In front of us were a lot of little game pieces and the board which had a little road with instructions written on it. On the top of the board were instructions on how to move your pieces and the dice decide how many places those pieces can move.

「but the hero came from such a nice world where you can play this game?」

「Ho~o. That's a nice world… that kind of place.」

Bosco said he went to a nice world before and I was thinking of enjoying something like that.

Even though we watch humans fight I don't really like war.

To begin I've fought magicians to protect myself not too long ago.

「It would be nice to have a world without war.」

That unintentionally leaked from my mouth.

Somehow the atmosphere became serious so Teri changed the topic to a more tolerable one.

「Oh next time can't we play『Trump』?」

「Trump? What's that? 」

「Well… let's see… you have 4 suits on these cards; Hearts, Diamonds, Spades, and Clubs. Each one has a number on it 1-13.」

「Ho. And then… what kind of game can you play? 」

I was unintentionally attracted to the explanation. Bosco answered my question

「I heard this from my friend… 『Poker』and 『Old Maid』or… Ah, and there is also 『Doubt』. Anyways, this torump (intentionally misspelled) can be played in all sorts of ways.」

「Poo-keer-? Also Tired Maid… or Old Lady was it? Those seem ok…」

「Ah it doesn't really mean the Old Maid got a divorce though… 」

「I don't really understand it. Wha? What do you do? 」

There were a lot of words with unknown meanings flying around and unless I played it I wouldn't know if it was fun or not.

Anyways… Humans are incredible. Thinking of all these ways to play with one thing.

「That's right… I don't remember much of the rules of Doubt… 」

「Meh that's ok let try it anyways. 」

Just give me a simplified version of the rules.

In short you hide your cards from your opponents and place cards face down on the table. If no one doubts your card is the said card then it stays on the table but if someone thinks you're lying they shout "Doubt"

and if you lied you have to pick up all the cards if it's true then that person gets them all.

What a harsh set of rules those humans made…!

If you're scared then『doubt』would never be shouted!? That's a huge risk! …What!? That's how it's played!? Doesn't the thrill seem like it would be fun!? …It seems that layers are liked. Well enough talking about it let's start.

Fu~tsu… In short lying is good in this game. This game is composure!

[Seven]

[Eight]

[[Doubt]]

[Noooooooooo!?] (TN: Yeh, no idea about this sorry. It think it's just an expression of surprise)

Result———-I suffered a disastrous defeat.

Though i found out later, it seems like this is a play done by at least 4 people…. Son of a bitch! [TN: I think he's being cheated? No, he states 4 people, but the below line says 3?] [ED: Game is meant to be played with 4+ people.]

To we three people, who were non chalantly enjoying our everyday life, the door was suddenly bashed open.

[……]

[Re, Reiya-sama?]

The expression of Reiya-sama who had entered the room was surprisingly serious.

Without answering my call, she walks straight in our direction.

While playing games in the sitting posture, we stop to look at Reiya-sama.

Then Reiya-sama who had been quiet up until now, slowly opens her mouth.

[.....the Black Dragon God....has been defeated]

[[[.....huh?]]]

Together we raise a stupid voice.

The black dragon god....has been defeated?

I thought it was impossible. That person, if you exclude the demon king, has the highest war potential in all of *** (TN: Again another name, this time of a country). He cannot be defeated.

I thought the same thing. Terry and Bosco are also stunned.

While looking down on us, Reiya-sama spoke once again.

“The black dragon god, it was defeated”

“.....” x3

The expression of Reiya-sama is too serious, her words must be true.

We never thought the black dragon god would be defeated.

For this reason, i am surprised and completely dumbstruck.

“For now, to regain the Black dragon god’s power I must travel to [The labyrinth of the black dragon god]”

“If that’s the case, then we also.....!”

“During my absence, you must protect this place.”

Even if you ask with a serious expression, we have no choice but to shut up. Besides if we follow Reiya-sama, we will certainly be a burden to Reiya-sama. But, in the first place, to imagine Black Dragon God being defeated by humans, we wouldn't have such thoughts. Because of that, it was troubling for Black Dragon God and Reiya-sama. 1111

"Somehow I expected what I imagined you guys are doing upon arriving here…. But, even I wouldn't have thought Black Dragon God be defeated. That's why, you guys shouldn't worry about it. Besides, although the idea was good, it was still naive. Fortunately, thanks to the dungeon, Black Dragon God should have recovered…. That said, it shouldn't be a complete recovery, I'll be heading over to make sure he completely recovers."

We were impressed by the words and actions of Reiya-sama. This guy's various action… He's quite amazing…. She still doesn't have a boyfriend. Besides, if it is Reiya-sama, he will certainly be able regain the power of Black Dragon. We looked at Reiya-sama with shining eyes, as Reiya-sama grumbled slightly.

"Well…. the Demon King will be able to regain his powers"

"That is…."

"Anyways! While I am not here, make sure to properly guard this castle"

" " " Roger! " " "

Hearing our replies, Reiya-sama nodded gratefully and used teleportation magic, disappearing from the spot. When Reiya-sama was sure to have left, Terry and Bosco called out to me.

"Hey…."

"What's wrong?"

“Somehow, you seem to have a serious look”

The both of them seems to be worried about me. I have such good friends! While I was thinking of such things, I honestly spoke what was troubling me.

“What if… I entrust it to him”

” ” Bell-san….” ”

It was painful looking at their cold gaze.

“Pull back your weapon! In combat, a single opportunity is fatal!”

I…Takamiya Shota, am in the royal palace, receiving combat training with a wooden sword in the training field. Of course, I am not the only one being trained. All the students who had been summoned as heroes, received this training.

“100 more times!”

The one who had been teaching us, is the knight commander of this country, Zakir Gilford-san.

After the first meeting with the king, Zakir was the person who had his arms folded behind the spear-wielding soldiers.

The dull silver armor carved with many scratches, giving an atmosphere of a veteran, was clearly different from the ordinary soldiers.

With wooden swords in our hand, Zakir-san ordered us to practice 1000 swings.

We the summoned heroes, practiced in order to master the “Holy Sword” which will inevitably be placed in our hands.

Unlike the time with Zakir, following the instruction of someone with the

common sense of this world, all of us were able to safely make the holy sword appear.

According to that person, the sacred sword is effective against demons and the demon lord, it appears to withhold the『Holy Attribute』

The so called『Holy Attribute』, when used against demon folk, in order to have maximum effectiveness, surprisingly, all of us are undergoing training to skillfully handle it, under Zakir's guidance.

"5 more! ...4! 3! 2! 1! ... Okay, that's it!"

In sync with Zakir's instructions, we held down our wooden swords.

Although it's been half a year since coming to this world, there's still a lot of people who are unable to follow through the training.

Senior Kanazuki and I were originally Kendo club members, so it wasn't that much of a hurdle, Kenji also passed through sheer will power.

As everyone catches their breath, while resting their aching bodies, Zakia said.

"Today's training ends here. Each of you make sure to get enough rest.]

After giving out minimal required instructions, Zakir takes leave.

Normally this is where everyone disbands, but this time it's different

"Please wait up a bit!"

The one who called Zakir to wait was, Seiichi's class representative, Aoyama.

"When is it that we'll stop swinging and get some real battle

experience? Our status is increasing but our level is still the same."

"For now, it's more important to get used to your weapon."

"Isn't that what you've said before? I .. still think that defeating weak monsters and leveling up is still the best way to get stronger."

As Aoyama said so, the others who've kept quiet up till now started stirring up unanimously.

"Yeah, thats right isn't it !"

[If we just keep swinging the wooden sword , we'll never ever get strong]

[The original spec of our body was high to begin with, so it's definitely better to be strong via leveling up]

[Zakir-san, please let us fight monsters already]

Voices of complaint slowly rise.

When the line of sight suddenly lands on Kannazuki senpai, he faced the students with a bitter face.

Indeed, leveling up will definitely make us stronger by now.

But, for some reason i feel that something's not right

Then, Zakir who was listening to the student's complaints in silence, said.

"……The policy will remain unchanged. tomorrow you'll continue the swings, and perform simple combat exercise. And that's that"

After saying that, Zakir turned and left.

When the figure of Zakir's back disappears, the student's throw out complaints one after the other.

[Whats with that guy!]

[I really don't get this guy]

[What's the point of doing something so meaningless?]

[Is there something wrong with his head?]

Everyone is just saying what they want

Though it's true that the efficiency is bad but seems like he has something in mind Though it's true that i practiced kendo, but when its comes to real combat i'm just an amature. its best to leave things to pros.

As i concluded so, I continued to watch the scene as students kept spewing ugly epithets in front of my eyes.

[Ahhh…]

Upon the balcony where the beautiful moonlight shines, I…… Zakir Gilford lets out a sigh

[…This isn't going to be easy is it… …]

[What isn't…..?]

Unexpectedly, a voice came from behind.

I wasn't startled by the voice that came from behind. As i've already sense that there was a presence nearby.

[Oh it's you, Orpheus……]

[Mind if I take a seat next to you?]

[….Do as you please]

The one who replied my with a gentle smile was the gentle mannered man with brown curly hair, Orpheus Almond the knight leader assistant The subordinate that i have confidence in the most, whose ability is by far the best amongst the knights Like me orpheus looked up at the moon silently

Then, slowly he started to speak.

[Zakir, the training today was harsh]

[Why's that ?]

(everything below here still in yellow highlight, I'm not entirely sure about)<-Lonjest While showing a wry smile, the core of my worries is Orpheus.

While , I'm not trying to hide it in particularly, I tell Orpheus.

「…… It's because I don't want them to die.」

「What?」

Orpheus had a shocked expression on his face, was my answer that unexpected.

「They are…… a people not use to war. And yet, saying that they will be relied upon for the subjugation of the Demon King, it's something that can't be understood」

「That's……」

「Moreover. ……I'm telling you now, I don't want to fight a war against demons. I hope to coexist」

Orpheus's eyes, opened really wide.

「……Zakir. That remark, is the opposite ideal of the King's. If somebody else heard you……」

「No problem…. That's because there is… only you, here」

When I said so, Orpheus showed a sign of relief.

「It will not be alright if the [King Sword] is like that」

「…… I don't like that name. In addition, while I obey the orders of the existing King, my mind is always with the King's predecessor」

「…… Is that Alph」

Alph Dear Kaiser. He is the benefactor who saved my life, and is a person who's was a wonderful King.

He is gentle to the people, will immediately help those in trouble no matter their race…… That's the kind of person he is.

However, Alph, because the effects of aging, has had an increase in the amount of time he sleeps in a day, and the throne was passed over to the present King the King's son.

From that day, there was never any peace.

As Orpheus says, I have a grim expression.

「……Certainly, the present King…… Although the story has wandered off, I understand you don't want them to die. But, why don't you let them gain actual fighting experience?」

「…… They, seem to come from a peaceful world more than we had thought. They don't know how to hold a sword, and don't even know the methods to easily take a person's life. Therefore, I'm teaching them how to use weapons first」

「That's……」

「Certainly, I will be hated for thoroughly having them do the basics. However, they have never touched a weapon before. I know that's superficial. However, the outcome is better than if they do not do that」

「I know that I am selfish. However, they do not want to die just as much as us. If I came from a peaceful world, I'd want to live in that wonderful world. …… It's simply that」

Saying that, I leave the balcony.

「Zakir…… You are too cowardly……」(it's either awkward or cowardly I'm not sure here. I'm thinking cowardly)

I didn't hear the mutter of Orpheus, and just disappear into the night.

Shinka no Mi – Chapter 32 - Information Gathering

[Ha….]

I Hiiragi Seiichi, was worried as I ate breakfast. The source of my trouble —-

[Oh….tsu!]

— is Altria. Just now, Altria who had walked out of her room, quickly diverted her eyes, leaving the inn at a hurried pace after catching sight of me and Saria.

[…..I was completely avoided….]

Well, it did seem like a proposal.

And if you say it can’t be helped, then I guess it can’t be helped.

In addition to being confused, if you look at it objectively, a terribly bold thing was done.

To iron out the misunderstandings of yesterday, I wanted to meet her. But I mean still, being avoided is painful in various ways. I mean, it’s sad.

[How should I do it….]

Saria, who had continued to eat her meal silently up until now, opened her mouth.

[It’s ok Seichii, because she doesn’t hate you]

Because Saria said so with a smile, my mind felt at ease a little.

[Thank you, however why did you say such a thing?]

[Hmm…wild intuition?]

[Wild?!]

Not a woman, but!? No, because she is a gorilla, that might be right…….!

My surprise state seemed fascinating as it drew Mary, the poster girl of this inn whom was curious.

[Ne~ene~e, did you do something to Altria?]

[Eh?]

[Because Altria is avoiding Seichii…. Isn’t it natural to think that way?]

[That is…]

Due to Mary’s sharpness, I hesitate instinctively. At this, Mary

approached showing interest as she questioned me further.

[Then? What happened? Worries about the relationship between a man and a woman? Seiichi is unexpectedly popular. She is a beauty too….]

[Err, even if you say that…..]

Mary seems to be a girl who is interested in love stories. I didn't expect that i would be made her target….

[No, it isn't such a grand thing…..]

[Aya? Do you not see it like that? What happened? ~Nn? Won't you say?]

[What on Earth are you!?]

To Mary who had asked many times, I tsukkomi-ed.

As I continued to evade the onslaught of questions from Mary. The owner of the inn, Fina who is Mary's mother got angry at her for not working and so she reluctantly returned.

[Fu….. incidentally …..Saria, how do you do today?]

[Nn?]

[After all, the subjugation mission was cancelled. Are you still going to become a guild member?]

Saria got a formal guild card yesterday from Gassur and had the explanation of the guild along with me.

In short. There are ranks in the guild applied to both adventurers and requests.

F is the lowest rank, then E…D…C…B…A then finally S. Saria and I started from the lowest rank, F.

A request can only be received if it is at the same rank or one above oneself.

It's possible to receive many requests at once, however the maximum is 3 at any one time.

If the rank of the request is the same as me, I need to succeed 10 times to rank up.

If it is one above, I only need to succeed 5 times.

While it may be true that you have to register with the guild to get requests, you don't have to take any unless expressly asked.

At this, I was a little relieved.

Because my purpose was to thoroughly collect information, I can't only focus on requests.

Besides, I wasn't interested in taking any requests at this time, so I thought I'd collect a little information.

That was my plan, however…. Saria seems to have another idea.

[Well….I want to go to the orphanage today.]

[Did you receive a request?]

[Yes. Clare said i was always welcome. Even if there's no request, I can come]

[Is that so? then let's split up for today. Will you be careful?]

[Yes!~]

Being satisfied with Saria's answer, I finished my breakfast at once and began gathering information immediately.

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[As I thought, this town is really lively....]

That was the impression I got as I separated from Saria at the inn.

People cheerfully conducting business at their stalls. Aunts making small talk.

Everyone was smiling, a scene not thought about on Earth due to work and study.

In a country such as this, do slums even exist?

I don't want to think like that, but if there is light, there is also a shadow. I wanted to believe there were no slums, but as I didn't know the country well, I couldn't prove it.

[Oh, will I even be able to investigate today...?]

Whilst thinking of such things, the town began to get noisy.

[Hmm? What?]

The usual liveliness of the town seemed to be different.

As I listened carefully, a woman's scream could be heard.

[Whoa, why did the town become dangerous when I just thought it was a good town.]

Whilst thinking so, I turned my attention to the commotion.

[Stopppppppppppp!]

[Quick! Chase him!]

[Hahaha! You can't catch me! Freedom is the best!]

[If you think freedom is the best, then wear some clothes!]{TLN: Ummm….}

What came into view was a stark naked Ossan being chased by Claude and some men dressed in matching armour.

The ossan in question was the one with the dangerous lolicon in the guild.

He was running through the bustling crowd, with a refreshing smile on his face.

Looking into the surroundings, women were looking away with crimson faces, whilst men showed a wry smile.

[I will not permit this today!]

[I'll throw you in prison no matter what it takes!]

[What a dangerous thing to say, however I will get away! With the right heart and mind, you can go anywhere.....!]

[Where are you going to go? Just get dressed!]

[Rejected!]

[Why!?]

[My body and soul are crying to be stark naked...!]

[Pointless!]

During that exchange of words, the group of armoured troops and the stark naked ossan ran right in front of me.

.....

[Fuu...today is peaceful....]

As I murmured so, I started to walk towards the guild. Tsukkomi? doing so might be pointless.

Along the way, there were no more of those type of events. Whilst thinking so, I stepped foot into the guild.

Surprisingly, the pervert didn't seem to be in today. Ellis also was standing behind the receptionist's desk as usual.

However, Gassur is standing next to the desk, striking various poses. I wonder if he's doing work.

Whilst considering why Gassur was the guild master, I decided to speak to Gassur as he was the person I needed to speak to.

[Good morning, Gassur]

[Unh? Oh, it's Seiichi! Various things happened yesterday, are you tired?]

[Hmm, I’m ok]

My stats are monster class.

[Is that so, come to think of it, Saria doesn’t seem to be with you today]

[Saria decided to go to the orphanage today]

[I see, then what is Seichii doing?]

As Gassur had questioned me, I decided to gather some information

[Actually, I want to gather a little bit of information. I think Gassur being the guild master should know some]

[Hmmm, information…]

In response to my words, Gassur gestured as if in deep thought.

I had thought as much, there is some information that can be easily given, but there is also some which is difficult to obtain.

As i was thinking such things, Gassur looks up and says to me.

[There is an introductory course on how to efficiently put on muscle, would you like to sign up?]

[That’s not the information I want!?]

Because he was thinking unusually seriously, I thought I was going to get some good information. I mean really is it so complex it needs an introductory course!?

Gassur seems to be surprised by my reaction.

[Uh? What information besides that exists?]

[THERE IS! You’re the strange one, you know? Why are we talking like I’m the weird one here!]

I Tsukkomi at full force as Ellis came to work at the reception.

[It is so. Such good for no-good information, and you wonder why no-one requests it? Only a muscle manic like you would…]

[Good for nothing!?]

At Ellis' words, Gassur became visually depressed. He does look like a muscular daruma doll though…

However, it was good there was someone that had common sense like Ellis. When she's got a whip she's nothing but a pervert but otherwise she's a rare member of the guild whom you can talk to normally.

I pulled myself together and thanked Ellis.

[Oh Ellis, I also said this to Gassur, but I'm looking for a little information…]

[I see, I understand]

[Oh!]

[There's an introductory course in S & M….do you want to sign up?]

[Not you too!]

I was foolish to have any expectations!

Ellis whom receives a tsukkomi, shudders for some reason.

[I take pride in my S & M lecture…… it is overwhelmingly popular…]

[Am I strange? Hey, am I strange?]

I instinctively say the same thing twice. I mean, how astonished Ellis seems is abnormal.

Are there no more decent human beings?...

To me who showed a troubled face, Gassur smiled.

[Oh, I was only joking.]

[Say that from the start!]

I felt like punching him, but I decided against it.

[You want information? Well, the current news is not worth mentioning. There's no new information either.]

[In that case, please tell me about the big events that have happened in the past half year here]

[Half year? in that case...]

The reason why I said half a year is because that was the time when I was in the【Forest of endless love and grief】.

If there was a hero moving in between this period, I wanted to know. Also, it might seem strange to ask about the hero directly. I figured the hero should be known to at least some extent.

Gassur who had been seriously thinking about the events this past year began to tell me.

[....umu. Well, the biggest event is probably the Isel empire successfully summoning a hero.]

[I've also heard of that]

[!]

Bingo.

The information I wanted came out surprisingly easily.

[Hero summoning….]

Really, how do you not know such a thing? Was the attitude they seemed to emit.

[Oh? Don’t you know about the hero summoning?]

[Hm…]

[Is that so? it was quite a big affair. Well, if you don’t know, I guess I’ll teach you]

[The Isel empire summoned a man from a different world, to subjugate the revived demon king.]

[…My words…]

Gassur, who was depressed after having his words stolen by Ellis is disregarded as I listen about the demon king.

[What is the demon king?]

[Eh? You don’t know?]

[Well…I just came to this country….]

When you are issued your guild card, you don’t have to write your home town. Because of that, it is very easy to lie, however my conscience hurts.

[I that so? Well, simply put the demon king is the leader of the demons]

[Leader of the demons…]

[What type of existence is it? Well, I don't know, perhaps you can find more detailed information in the library?]

[I see]

Library…. On Earth i found reading to be irrelevant, however i had taken an interest in this other worlds library.

However was it a devil group? Bell that I met in the forest near this town? I feel like they were definitely the demon squad suicide team. As I was thinking such a thing, I suddenly noticed.

[Oh, is the Isel Empire the ones who summon the heroes to fight the demon king?]

[That's right]

[Then what are the other countries counter-measures?]

If the demon king is as brutal as they say he is, is it really ok for people to be living life so unconcerned?

For me who knows the past of the Black Dragon God, i don't get the impression that he is brutal at all.

To my question Gassur answered.

[There are also hero summons in other countries, however our country doesn't summon heroes]

[Is that really ok?]

[You shouldn't worry. This country has two of the strongest knights. One of them never leaves the king's side, whilst the other is a genius in defence. Even if the demon king attacked this town, it's unlikely we'd be defeated.]

That's incredible.

Was there really such a strong knight in this country……

What kind of knight is it? As I was thinking this, Gassur continues.

[Moreover there are a few demon S-Rank adventurers]

[Really!?]

Demon S-rank…something like that is cool.

In general, if it's a demon, isn't it evil?

It seems my inner thoughts leaked as Gassur floated a smile.

[Although we don't know what type of existence the demon king is, is it okay to deny someone because they're a demon?]

In the memory of the Black Dragon God, it seems humans could be worse than the demon king.

But Gassur doesn't seem to be worrying about the demon army.

I thought about Altria, in such a guild where strong personalities gather. I'm sure the demon king probably doesn't matter.

Gassur that runs such a guild, although he never looks like he's working. Perhaps he's more capable than I thought.

[Also, the king of this country seems to have many connections with other races, the demon army included. Well, since he's been revived, it doesn't seem like friendly relations can be made. Because people never suffered damage from the demon army directly, it seems the king's idea was favourable amongst the people.]

[.....]

Usually, the demon king is a hated existence much different from man. However, it looks like I don't need to worry. Though it is filled with perverts, they understand Altria, me and Saria, they must be good guys. I was pretty impressed so far, Gassur continued.

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[Also, since the summoning of the hero various technologies have been drastically improved.]

[How?]

[From the Earth where the heroes live, various technologies spread across the Isel Empire. Clothes, weapons, meals and entertainment were improved.]

[.....]

Hey Hero! Be a little prudent! ...is what I wanted to say, but!

[But the Isel empire didn't monopolise the technology]

I honestly didn't expect that.

Because the country where the heroes were summoned seems to be very selfish.

Whilst thinking this, Gassur continued with a wry smile.

[Haha! Of course the Isel empire tried to monopolise it, because the technology far surpasses any other country. Everyone knows the importance of possessing it.]

[Then, why?]

[The merchant's spirit, the empire was not able to suppress it]

Merchant's spirit?

[The merchants, how did they make it known without permission?]

[Well it's the consequence of being a merchant]

[It's a merchant's work to sell goods and make profit. Doesn't the merchant who moves to a different country first to sell the new technology make the most profit? There is far too much competition in the Isel empire.]

[Certainly....]

Of course, in a country without advanced technology, any new improved technology is going to sell for easy money.

[Therefore, the technology that the hero brought in, spread to many different countries. Although, the merchants certainly risked their lives to make the technology widely known...]

Well... the Isel empire is an unsophisticated country like that.

When thinking about the people's wellbeing, it's understandable that you wouldn't want the technology to spread. However, I don't know the details of the domestic affairs.

I secretly consented to this inside my head, Gassur unexpectedly remembered something.

[Ah, Seiichi]

[Nn?]

[Do you have a horse yet?]

[Horse?]

By horse… does he mean the animal?

Although that was what instinctively came to mind, this is a different world.

From my appearance, Gassur must have guessed that I don’t have a horse. However, I don’t know why he said such a thing so suddenly.

[As an F-rank adventurer, it’s better to have a horse. You’re likely to be travelling to do requests]

[Ha? I don’t particularly need a horse]

After all, I don’t really plan on working seriously in the guild.

Besides, most of my request have been subjugation missions. I don’t really intend on travelling around a lot.

Also, travelling by horse is slower than my running speed…it’s ridiculous.

[I guess you’re right. But with your ability, what would happen if you get chosen for an escort mission?]

[!?]

At the words of Gassur, I felt nervous.

Why did he say ability? My status should be camouflaged……

I didn’t know if my status was seen through, so Gassur explained.

[Well… that’s what Altria said.]

[Eh? What did you say?]

[Hm? Well she said “Although I don’t know why, it seems like Seiichi is hiding his true abilities. He managed to defeat something even I could not defeat. Without that ability, I doubt any of us would have returned”]

[…..]

[Well, you should be ok right now anyway. However, nobles don’t leave such strong men alone. I have a contact that can get you some escort missions if you like. You could become a person of great influence one day.]

[…..there is no need to do such a thing.]

If I did that, I would feel like a total cheat.

Gassur seem to think I’m very strong, regardless he continues.

[Anyway, if you receive an envoy request, you will undoubtedly have to move a long distance. If you’re attacked by thieves, you may have to run away. Therefore, amongst adventurers, the horse is one of their most valuable tools.]

[Hee~ even if i buy a horse now, i have nowhere to put it….]

[Well aren’t you staying at the Tree of Peace like Altria?]

[There’s probably a stable in the back there. It costs a little bit of money, but in return they look after your horse]

Wait, really?

Although it doesn’t seem necessary right now, just like Gassur said, there might be a time when I need one.

When I’m amongst other people I can use the horse, and when I’m alone I can just run.

[Then, I'll buy a horse]

[Oh, do you have enough money with you? I'll give you some advice. Is that ok?]

[It's alright, I have enough money]

[Is that so? then wait just a moment]

Saying that, Gassur disappears into the interior of the guild. When he returns, he is holding a sheet of paper.

[This is a map that shows the place where they sell horses. It also shows where the library, smith and second hand goods shops are.]

[Oh, thank you]

Forgive me for thinking you did no work.

[Is there anything else you'd like to ask?]

[I'm ok for now. If I think of something else, I'll be relying on you]

When I say that, Gassur and Ellis nod repeatedly.

[I see! If you ever want to join my introductory course for muscle building, feel free!]

[You're also welcome to join my S & M lecture]

[That's good]

After exchanging goodbyes, I left the guild.

Shinka no Mi-Chapter 33 The Spellbook and Serenity

“Ah, speaking of which… I received the seed of evolution from the sheep”

Right after exiting the guild, I suddenly remembered. I completely forgot about it… Well, I was busy partly due to the matter about Black Dragon God and Altria-san.

“First I’ll research about the seed of evolution in the library, rather than buying a horse”

I think I am the only one who knows the most about the seed of evolution. I knew the reason Saria evolved was thanks to the wonders of the seed of evolution. I also have been saved many times….

That’s why, it was important for me who can not be compared with a demon king.

Fortunately, I am on a errand to the second-hand shop. That’s because I wanted to make recovery potions.

“A proper tool and bottles are necessary”

The clever monkeys were amazing because they had even reproduced the bottles.

“Errr…. the tool shop was unexpectedly quite close”

As I looked at the simple map that I had received from Gassur, the location of the tool shop was not far from the guild.

“Alright, first I’ll take a look at the tool shop”

I’ve decided to immediately head towards the tool shop.

Along the way, a lolicon old man was peeking at a little girl eating

candy, not caring about his rough breathing. Ah, a guard. There is a criminal over there

But… aside from Gassur who I did not care about, if you look closely around enough, the people here reminds me of Japan. After that, the gap between Earth no longer made me feel uncomfortable.

Besides, some people are wearing ordinary-like clothes back on earth. Heroes, be a little more prudent.

While I was thinking of such things, I quickly reached the tool shop.

“Is it here?”

Arriving at the tool shop, it did not look strange. It was just an ordinary shop.

I opened the door and entered, unfamiliar tools were lined up in rows inside.

“Oh? A customer?”

While I was surprised by the amount of strange tools, an auntie had come out from the back.

“Ah, hello. Gassur introduced me”

“Ahaha. I see. Please look as much as you like”

Auntie said so while laughing, and went back inside the shop… No, I’m troubled if you leave!?

I hardly recognize most of the tools in the shop!?

“It can’t be helped… oh look here”

A brand name and a price tag was stuck on the goods, let’s imagine it from the name what kind of tool it is.

In the worst case, I’ll use the “advanced appraisal” skill.

“Well… this is?”

While saying so, the first thing I grabbed is a white sphere, unsure of what it was. The price was 100 gold pieces.

“The price is reasonable, so what is it?”

I tried to check the name.

“Merely a ball”

“Hey shopkeeper come here!”

Merely a ball! What the heck you mean!

No, it is too early to make assumptions. Merely a ball could be the name, but there may be some hidden effects.

I tried to convince myself while activating the appraisal skill.

“Merely a ball”… It is really just a ball. It can even become a cat’s plaything, and when encountering a demon, throw it to draw the attention of the demon… maybe.

“Damn, it is really… just a ball!”

I was a fool for expecting something!

Recently, I feel there are many expectations that have been disappointments. Primarily… such as Gassur or Ellis. I tired myself out from retorting the goods, but I immediately pulled myself together.

“Hmm, what about this pot?”

The next thing that caught my eyes was the pot with an unusual atmosphere. What I mean is, it could be used for alchemy.

Perhaps, it might be that kind of tool. It has quite a price, 100,000 G. I wonder if it is correspondingly valuable?

This time, without checking the name, I directly activated the skill to identify.

“Pot of Happiness”… I have the feeling the happy one will be the owner.

If it sells well, the shopkeeper will be happy.

"Guards!"

"It's a scam! Right here there are some people doing unscrupulous business!"

What is going on in this store!? And, more than that, didn't Gassur introduced me to this store!

Is that it? A rookie who knows nothing can be hurt, did you introduce it to rookies to learn a lesson!? If so, it is too evil!

Already, my trust for this shop had fallen. But, if you look around carefully, there are also decent goods as well.

For example, "Paper from another world", this is made from a paper-making method that a hero had devised when he had been summoned to this world. It is still inferior in quality compared to Earth, but the parchment is still relatively easy to use.

The price was 500 G for 100 sheets. I don't know whether it was cheap or expensive, but the amount is not extreme, it would still be better.

Another one, was made using an item called magic stone, called "Magic Camera". Perhaps the idea of this camera was also told by someone from the heroes.

Though I was saying that, in the guild I heard someone sneaked voyeur shots, was it because of this… But there are still many things I don't know, I shouldn't be wasting time and went looking for the necessary equipment again.

Then, without any particularly difficulty, I found what I wanted immediately.

"There it is. Well… a mortar and pestle. And, empty bottles… for now I'll take 10"

In order to grow the seed of evolution, I'll need a planter and a water can, I'll also need to buy soil that has been put in jute bags.

Once I picked everything I wanted, I called out to the Auntie in the back.

"Sorry, what's the bill?"

"Oh? Did you finish?"

"Mm, yeah"

The reason my response was so sloppy was, probably because I knew quite a bit about this shop.

With no reason to speak, I indifferently paid the bill. The price was 3000 G; but I still do not know whether it was expensive or cheap.

Well, I'm not troubled for money at the moment. Upon exiting from the store, the lively scenery appeared into my eyes.

"Now, what should I do next?"

To be honest, it will be better if I bought the horse last. If I buy it now, it will be troubling in various ways.

"Then the library?"

I would also like to look around for Demon King and Heroes, as well as magic. While I confirmed my destination with the map I had received from Gassur, I headed towards to the library.

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"...it's huge"

Arriving at the library those were the first words I said. In front of my eyes, this huge building resembles a famous fine arts museum back on

Earth. There were beautiful stained glass and a clock tower, really standing out with its clean atmosphere.

"Here's the Royal Library"

If it's this huge, there should be plenty of spell books.

While I was thinking that, I stepped into the library. In my view, the insides were beautiful with an incredible amount of bookshelves.

There is no admission fee, but, on the other hand, I hear the library doesn't seem to lend books.

It seems only ordinary books are opened to the public.

There was anti-theft magic on each of the books, if someone attempts to take it even one step away from the library, it forcibly teleports the book back onto the original bookshelf. Magic sure is great.

However, since there is no such thing as a receptionist, you'll have to look for books by yourself.

So I also started to search for books, but there were too many books, I lost myself halfway through.

But, thanks to such hardships, I was able to find some of the books I was concerned about.

With all those books, I took a seat in the library. Surprisingly, I was the only one occupying this vast library.

"Right, first I'll start to read"

While saying so, I opened the book titled "A Hero and the Demon King", and looked over the contents.

As a history book, rather than difficult contents, it seems more like a story for children, but I'll have to tentatively check.

… Well, it was useless after all.

This is because the contents of the story has been distorted as humans were the good side, while the demons were portrayed as absolute evil.

I was looking for something unbiased, described in a third-party perspective. Well, in the first place, it was strange to look for such stories.

While I was having such thoughts, I kept rummaged through for other books about other heroes and the demon king.

But, I couldn't find the content I wanted. All the books wrote, the demon king was evil, and the heroes embody justice.

Perhaps, it might be the truth. But after seeing the past of the Black Dragon, I did not think so at all.

"It didn't go well…"

I muttered unintentionally. However, there was one strange thing.

In the history books, after the hero defeated the demon king, it was written that everyone lived peacefully. After I read the diary of the Hero Abel, I cannot believe that. If the contents of that diary was authentic, then the hero should have been killed by the country.

"The country that summoned the hero… the hero's death should have been recorded"

If such records were known to the heroes, Kenji and the others would have escaped. Those guys wouldn't purposely accept their fate to be killed.

"It can't be helped… I'll give up about the demon king"

At least, I decided not to the trust the information about the heroes and demon kings.

"Well, now that is taken care of, I'll look at the other books"

While I was saying that, I opened the book concerning our status.

Until now, I been relying on the knowledge from games and manga, but I was convinced that it may be different if I closely examine it.

So I brought this book. However, I recognized most of the contents. Still, only a portion of the contents were different from what I know.

Up to now, I thought charm represented the quality of the appearance. Of course, it is not actually so.

Surprisingly, the atmosphere clad in the body of the person seems to be one of the charms. So, even in poor appearance, if you have high charm, it will still attract people.

Well, I am interested if charisma is related to charm… Hmm. With that notion, what about me with a blank charm stat? Is there even a factor that attracts the person?

I was slightly depressed by such things, but I recovered immediately. This is because I'll read the book written about magic now. There is no way I wouldn't be interested.

In an excited mood, I opened the book titled "How to use magic". When I read further, there was an explanation about magic itself.

In brief, magic consumes the energy called magical power…. which can interfere the world directly it seems.

As a condition to invoke magic, magical power are necessary and it is important to imagine the spell as well.

To make it easier to imagine, chanting exists as well as discarding chanting, a first-class magician could do that naturally.

… That's strange? I've been using magic without any image at all.

That's why, at the time during the battle with Saria, I dropped a large quantity of water above myself. Because I didn't know any magic at all.

Although perhaps, the reason I had used magic was because I had already acquired it…Wow. While I was having such thoughts, a voice abruptly resounded in my mind.

"You've acquired [No-chant] skill"

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"...sigh"

Well that was boring. Indeed, it felt like an empty achievement. I, who knew nothing, had suddenly acquired a first-class skill.

There was no self-respect by easily having it delivered to you. I was thinking about such worthless things seriously while having a distant look.

However, since I knew I am no longer a normal human, I recovered quite fast.

Then the book divides the respective attribute separately, I read from Beginner to Advanced. As expected, the books did not contain information about the purgatory attribute.

Unexpectedly, the books did not contain written information about space magic. I thought the book at least would have that since an item box exists.

So, in the book the attributes was labeled as Fire, Water, Wind, Earth, Lightning, Ice, Light and Darkness.

Fire, Water, Earth and all the magic that had been written in the books, was the same as the knowledge I had.

Therefore, I was able to completely understand the magic when I finished reading the books about those attributes. All except space magic.

"Good, Now I will use magic properly unlike the first time"

Before I didn't understand the magic consumption, but the book was written in full details about the effect and powers.

However, the magic I can use, is far superior so I should not rely on that....

In this manner, I finished reading about Fire, Water, Earth, and Darkness, I decided to read the remaining Wind, Lightning, Ice and also Light.

Although I cannot use it right now, it may become available later, or there is a guy who can use it so I thought I could accommodate.

Fire and Water magic is likely to have high attack power, but if anything, Wind and Lightning can also be if the universal magic system exists. In that sense, Wind and Earth are probably easier to use.

What I care about is non-attribute magic, the application is very large. Be it body-strengthening, or simply floating, I think since it can attack directly, it is very powerful depending on how you use it.

Anyways, I finished reading the books about all the magic attributes. The time I read is considerably faster than back on earth. Is this perhaps, one of the benefits of evolution?

"Phew…I finished!"

I said that while stretching.

"You've acquired [Non-magic attribute], you've acquired [Wind attribute], you've acquired [Lightning attribute], you've acquired [Ice attribute], you've acquired [Ice attribute], you've acquired [Light attribute], and you've acquired [Arch mage] title, to make sure you have mastered all the magic at the highest state. You are given [Composition Magic], [Numerous Deployment], [Magic Creation], you've mastered [Inscription Magic], you've mastered [Battle Formation Magic]"

The inhumane voice, once again resounded in my mind.

"……"

It's strange. Why won't bitter tears stop flowing from my eyes? No way… Isn't it weird? I, I was just reading a book? How did this happen?

Does this mean I can't even read books casually? Will this happen again whenever I read? A curse?

Argh, I don't have the willpower to complain anymore, and continued to check the acquired magic skills.

However, I'll skip over Fire, Water, Wind, Earth, Lightning, Ice, Light, and Darkness attribute, and continue to check the rest.

[No-chant]…You can use magic without chanting.

[Arch mage]… The title sent to one who mastered all elemental magic. Magical attack power is doubled.

[Composition Magic]… Different or same magic attributes can be combined to create powerful magic.

[Numerous Deployment]… You can use many magic simultaneously without being restricted to the attribute.

The unprecedented [Magic Creation]… It is now possible to create your own magic. After creating, you can activate without chanting. Prior to creation, requires clearer image and a name also needs to be decided.

[Inscription Magic: Master]… It is possible to inscribe magic onto swords and accessories.

[Battle Formation Magic: Master]… It is possible to use magic formation to use more powerful magic.

"It's no good, it's getting out of hand!"

I seem to be very far away from a human being.

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"…"

As I came out from the library, I was tired mentally.

What should I do? What should I aim? Hero? Or Demon King? Now, I can easily be both. I'm in the mood to go to the convenience store. Haha, really. My mood remained darkened as I was walking down the streets, heading toward the open city.

"…Mmm, it's crowded"

A large number of street stalls were lined up in the neighborhood centering on the fountain which perhaps contain magical power to keep it functioning.

The shops sent off an appetizing smell and a man was selling a huge painting giving off very flashy impact. Various people had been there to

buy or sell.

“Come to think of it, I didn’t eat lunch”

Due to the library, I didn’t realize the time, it already passed noon. Even so, it is still past noon, with that many books you would think it’s abnormal.

“Somehow, I don’t feel like eating around so many people…”

Right now I feel, rather than eat in the lively square, to go eat inside a peaceful area.

While I was thinking of such things, walking around the square, one stall came into my view.

Unlike the other stalls, there seems to be no customer around.

However, there was just a sheet covered on the ground. It seems to be selling paintings.

Back on Earth, I wasn’t interested in art. But for some reason, I was naturally walking to this stall.

Near the stall, a depressed girl was sitting there. She also seems to have dog ears. Perhaps she would be the shopkeeper. I really… want to touch those ears.

A little bit younger than me, with an adorable face too. As I walked to the front of the store, she raised her head.

“Ah… H-how can I help you!?”

She removed her sunken expression and gave a cheerful greeting. While observing the circumstances of the girl, I also looked over at the paintings.

” ! ”

This is… I had unintentionally stared at the paintings arranged there.

It wasn’t flashy. It was a strange painting. Speaking clearly, there was no major characteristic, but when every painting formed into a line, it was

visibly attractive if I say so.

Painting of a bird drinking water, a painting of people having a pleasant chat, a painting of the town's sunset, a night sky painting, the paintings subject was day to day trivial.

When I came here, I saw the person who had been selling flashy picture was lined with a lot of people, but there is not even one person here. It was strange to me. I mean that flashy painting… I don't even know what it is. Picasso drew ordinary objects and it was said to be a unique picture, impressing people, but from that painting I did not feel anything at all. Well, even a painting of Picasso seen in the textbooks was drawn amazing, in the first place I think he had very art sensitivity.

"This, did you drew all of them?"

I've unconsciously asked.

The girl opened her eyes, she was surprised to be asked so suddenly and immediately answered "Yes!".

Wow… I couldn't draw pictures at all. I feel younger than I should have. In any case, I was impressed by the paintings of the girl.

After coming to this world… I'm interested to buy a painting for the first time. I decided to buy the painting of the city dyed in sunset among them.

"This painting, how much is it?"

Mmm… I still don't know the price of a painting. Was it expensive? Cheap? Either way, I liked it and I won't regret buying it.

"Ok, I'll take this painting"

"A-ah….t-thank you very much!"

The girl was deeply moved when she received 1000 G from me, and carefully wrapped the painting.

This time, I'll have to buy a picture frame. While I was thinking of such

things, the package was completed and passed to me.

"Thanks"

Upon receiving the painting, I immediately put it away in the item box. I'd hate it if it gets damaged.

"T-thank you very much!"

The girl stood up from the store and bowed. That reaction was amazing, but did you really not sell much? These are good paintings. Remaining somewhat unconvinced, I decided to look for a shop to take a break.

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"Are there people inside?"

Away from the square, I was looking for a shop to take a break.

However, along the road there was a store full of customers. It was not likely to be slowed anytime soon. It's just afternoon.

Since I found it too excessive, I decided to look for another place with less people.

I don't want to remember but after arriving at the guild, that place had contained a frightening amount of homosexuals.

That area was not very popular, so I found the store after leaving the central square.

However, it was surprisingly a popular little establishment.

"Akkoriente Cafe…."

… What is Akkoriente? A new type of food?

While thinking such nonsense, I entered another shop. A bell attached to the door reverberated. The interior had a gloomy mood. There was a

bar counter and a bitter elderly man with grey hair that stood over there seems to be the bartender.

…This is a cafe? Isn't this a bar? I, I'm a minor… I was overwhelmed by the atmosphere, there seems to be only one other customer besides me. In addition, the person had noticed and called out to me.

"Huh? You, don't be standing around, are you coming in or not?"

"What? Oh, yes…"

I unconsciously replied as I approached the bar counter. Then, I saw the face of the customer who had talked to me.

"It's the first time seeing your face. You, are you an adventurer?"

The man had asked, he had wild, messy blonde hair, clothes generally worn in this world. He appears to be around 40 years old, with a face giving off a very cool uncle-like feeling.

"Umm, yesterday I was finally made an official adventurer"

"I see, name's Ranze. A humble poor citizen. Nice to meet you"

"Ah, thank you. My name is Seiichi"

"Seiichi? I see, from the sound of your name, it seems to be from a country in the east. The name is quite convincing."

"Is that so?"

Again, the country of the east. Adriana-san also said the same thing… I was thinking inside my mind while Ranze-san said so, amazed.

"Oh? Speaking of the country in the east, aren't they famous for strong warriors? The name of [Heaven's Blade] is widely known all over the continent, and his looks seem to resemble the heroes summoned in the Kaiser Empire. There seems to be many guys having black hair lately… was it because the country is involved in a lot of trouble so you're waiting for things to cool down? Or, am I wrong?"

"Y-yes, that's right! Aha, hahaha"

Hey, country of the east! Why is it so troublesome!

And, strong warriors… where can you find such battle folks! In the first place, who is [Heaven's Blade]!?

Well, well, that means they have black hair as well. The only people with black hair are heroes, the country of the east should likely be descendants from Earth.

I floated a dry smile while keeping an innocent face desperately. Suddenly, cakes and black teas were placed before me.

Surprised, I turned my face towards the bartender, who quietly opened his mouth.

"… This is service for first time customers"

What an amazing voice! I was involuntarily charmed!? The voice didn't sound too deep or small, just listening was very comfortable. I got my service. Looking at my interesting reaction, Ranze-san said while laughing.

"Hahaha! This guy here, is the shopkeeper Noado"

"… I'm Noado, from now on, pleased to meet you"

"O-oh, please treat me well"

After a beautiful bow, unexpectedly, Noado began to wipe the dishes… Really like a bartender… While I was having such thoughts, let's start to eat the cake placed in front of me.

"Mm!?"

W-what is this, it tastes so good!? Since it was a different world, I surely thought the taste would be subtle, but it's not like that at all. A fluffy, exquisite, sweetness of the cream as well as the harmonizing sour fruit on top, I can eat any amount of this. I was surprised that Noado-san told me politely.

"… That cake, was brought by a summoned hero from another world. I

only applied the resulting recipe. The tea is not as well-known but the tasty, refreshing scent uses the characteristics of Rendell leaves”

Yeah, I do know about Rendell, but I found Noado-san amazing. I mean, just by using the recipe brought by the hero is not enough to make such delicious cakes. And, as Noado-san said, the tea’s refreshing scent requires a little deep taste of habit.

“This is so good, why are your customers so small?”

I’m aware that was rude, but I couldn’t help but ask. Then, Ranze-san answered instead of Noado-san.

“Well, first it is less crowded, and Noado himself didn’t want customers that much. Right?”

“… Yes. I want to allow the customers who visit this store to feel at ease”

“That’s the reason. Besides, the few customers like me and the others didn’t tell anybody about this. Since we knew that, it was translation to hide the well-established store’s presence”

“I see now…”

I didn’t understand. Only you know yourself the best, I felt there was a bit of sense of superiority. I was slightly convinced, and asked Noado-san what was troubling me.

“Well then, what does [Akkooriente] in the name of the shop mean?”

“Oh, I do not know that as well. Noado, what is it about?”

It seems even Ranze-san didn’t know, I started to regret my question.

Then, Noado-san smiled gently and spoke.

“Somehow it happened, I guess”

” Don’t tell me there is no reason!?”

We were surprised, Noado-san continued on.

“… Because, when I started this shop, I floated by this name. I still do

not know what it means but since I liked the sound of it, I didn't worry too much about it."

"Is that so…"

"Mm… well, that sounds interesting. There is no meaning huh…"

Looking at our reaction, Noado-san smiled gently again.

Chapter 34 <<Disaster>> girl determination, <<Monster>> boy anguish

I —- Altria-gram, was baffled.

Regarding yesterday case—— since the time my curse was removed, I couldn't help but be conscious of Seiichi.

Yet, this morning, looking at the figure of Seiichi, somehow my chest is…… as if being squeezed, is attacked by a painful sadness.

Moreover, even though it should be painful, somehow it feels good.

But, as it was a new experience for me, I was baffled.

What is the cause of this sadness?

Furthermore, even though it has been like this from the beginning, looking at the familiar exchange between Seiichi and Saria, somehow I get this…. depressing feeling, and start becoming displeased.

And, I start to feel really sad for some reason.

That's why, when I looked at Seiichi's figure, I ran away.

…… I want to know the identity of this feeling.

But, once I know the identity, I somehow feel that there would be no return.

That I might lose something important. That is the feeling I have.

And that is…… very scary.

"I……just what's happening with me…..?"

As it wasn't directed at anyone, she murmured to herself.

"Then, want me to give you some advice?"

"Eh?"

"Good morning, Altria-chan"

The one who talked to me, was the person who contracted us in the quest I did together with Seiichi, Adrianna-san.

By chance, she met me in the city, and just like that I was invited to Adriana's house, where she would give me a consultation.

"……I, am somewhat weird"

"Weird it is?"

"Do you remember Seiichi?"

"Yes, of course"

"That…… Since yesterday, whenever I see him, my heart accelerates….. I can't find the words even though it's painful, I am happy, it's warm…… that type of feeling"

"Fumufumu"(TL: nodding)

Adriana-san, while listening to my story, took a sip of tea.

"And it's not only that, well…… that Seiichi, might have a girlfriend……. I

think, that girl is really cute, and when she is talking happily with him somehow…… like I said earlier I get this painful feeling”

“I see……”

When Adrianna-san finished listening to my story, took a sip of tea again.

As expected, am I weird in some way?

Is it a side effect of removing the curse?

To me who was having uneasy feelings, Adriana-san took a breath, and affirmed.

“That’s love. Whats more, a bittersweet first love at that” (TL: What an unexpected turn of events no…..?)

“Wha!? Lo, love!?”

Without realising I, made a weird voice.

To the confused me, Adriana-san continued.

“Yeah. Altria-chan …… you, have fallen in love.”

“ Tsu !!”

Being told directly at my face, it’s like a fire burned my face, it is crimson.

Th, that..... love, me.....?

“Im, impossible! That me!? Absolutely not!”

For some reason, I denied it desperately.

However, even with such a negative response, Adriana-san shook it off lightly.

“But, what other explanation can there be? Moreover, Altria-chan is a very charming woman as well. It’s fine to have one or two loves, it’s nor weird at all. What’s more, is that you didn’t fall in love until now is weirder”

“Th, that is——“

“Well then, what is that ring you have on your left hand ring finger for?

“Tsu!”

On reflex of being asked, touched the ring in my left hand.

On the ring finger of my left hand, is a ring embedded with beautiful purple gem.

And, the fact that the men gave a fitting ring on the left hand of the ring finger of a woman means—-.

“A promise of eternal love..... That’s common sense no?”

“~~~~~~~~~~ Tsu!”

As though looking in my mind, Adrianna-san confronted me with the

appropriate words. With a face reddened to the maximum, with embarrassment so great it couldn't be exlained in words.

Then, without minding such an appearance, Adrianna-san continued on.

"Thanks to the ring that Seiichi-san gave you, your curse has been lifted, no?"

"……yes"

"Seiichi-san, is most likely from the east countrys, so his common sense may be different, the ring may not have a deep meaning"

"……"

My heart is, weird.

If that is true, then that is good.

Seiichi has Saria.

But he gave me a ring, isn't that dishonest!?

That's why, I shouldn't need to think about it too deeply.

By chance, the ring fitted perfectly on my ring finger.

Isn't it fine?

……even so ……. Even so, why I am so sad? So lonely?

If there is a deep meaning, there is the curse….. Isn't it fine?

My own heart, I don't understand myself.

Why, is it so painful……

I don't understand……

Unbeknownst, tears had accumulated my eyes.

While I had my head down in silence, Adriana-san spoke gently.

“Altria-chan, won’t you admit it already?”

“……”

“You, about Seiichi—— love him”

“_____“

With tear filled eyes, I slowly turn my sight to Adrianna-san

Mou, I can’t evade it anymore.

…… I, about seiichi…… came to love him.

The moment that I admitted it, tears overflowed from my eyes.

Until now, there was not a guy who got close to me.

The guys in the Guild, and in the city…… they were kind to me, but didn’t get close due to my curse, the first one who apprached me seriously was Seiichi.

When Seiichi, said I was needed, by everyone, that Seiichi liked me, I was really happy.

Gently, as to calm me when he hugged me from behind……. my heart felt warm.

I see…… I—— was in love.

To me that barely me noticed it, Adriana-san smiled gently and embraced me.

“To the clumsy Altria-chan, I will tell you one thing, if the boy you like is talking to another girl, it is not weird for your heart to feel sad you know?”

“……Is, that so……?”

“Yeah. It is jealousy. Excessive jealousy is bad, but a little bit is okay. Is it Altria-chan first love? To be confused is a very natural thing, it’s normal.”

“……Un”

“What’s more, even if Seiichi-san has a girlfriend, it doesn’t matter. It all depends of the resourcefulness of the man, bigamy, it might be common outside the continent. If you don’t like that then, Altria-chan it is fine to become the first for Seiichi-san.”

“……such a thing, I can’t do that. In the first place…… I am not cute at all. Such a toned, rough womam. It’s obvious that Seiichi will think bad of me.”

As I said so earnestly, Adrianna-san made a wry smile.

“mou, Altria-chan be more confidente in yourself. Next, I will introduce you to my friend that is well versed in romance, but first if Altria-chan doesn’t admit her own charm nothing will begin, Futhermore, Seiichi-san, do you thing he is the type to think such a thing?”

“……”

I shook my head in silence.

That guy is not the type to worry about such a thing.

If not, then he wouldn’t help me, that time when I stepped onto the metastasis trap. To seriously get close with me.

With the <Disaster> me, he properly caught me.

“…… I, wonder if is good for me to fall in love …?”

“Yes.”

“…… Won’t I be a nuisance…?”

“not at all. Rather, he should happy”

“……I see……”

I too, am glad I fell in love.

Mo, I won’t be tied down by <Disaster>, I am glad……

—-Finally, I can take the first step.

At that moment, I was attacked by a different feeling than the one until a while ago.

It is, unlike the feelings of a while ago, it was a very positive feeling.

“……Adrianna-san. I, what should I do to make Seiichi look my way……?”

“eh?”

“Until a little while ago, it was painful, and lonely … although it was very hard, now I feel very happy. This feeling, it’s the first time that I had it”

“……”

“Like I said…… my feelings, I want them to reach Seiichi. Even though this me is without a woman’s attractiveness….. I still love him, and I want

him to like me”

“Altria-chan……”

“Thats why, Adrianna-san. That…… first the things about love I don’t know about can you teach me about it? What should I do……”

Adriana who was listening to my serious thoughts, nods and say at once with a smile.

“Leave it to me! The perfect way to bring down Seiichi-san, I’ll teach it to you!”

After such a promising remark, I had Adriana-san teach me a lot of things.

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“——So there that happened”

“haaa～ Adventurers have it hard”

I Hiiragi Seiichi, had a small talk with Noado-san in the “cafe Akkoriente” that i entered.

Right now, I spoke about the story where I and Altria-san was mysteriously transported to a strange labyrinth.

“uhn, there is one thing I am curious, what happened to that <<disaster>> girl?”

When I reached the part about lifting the curse, Ranze-san asked that.

“About that…… for some reason I don’t know, she is completely avoiding me”

“Ah? Why? Thanks to Seiichi her curse was dispelled no?”

“That’s true…… well….. it may be a weird thing to ask but, a man, putting a ring on a woman left hand ring finger…… does that have any meaning?”

“Un? That’s true…… Seiichi wasn’t born in this continent, you were from the east country, then it is normal not to know…… n? Wait a minute. That you ask this means……”

“…… As you have guessed. The item for lifting the curse happened to be a ring by chance, and without giving it a lot of thought, I put it on her left hand ring finger”

“You are lying!?”

At my confession, not only Ranze-san opened his eyes wide, even Noado-san did so as well.

What should I do. I only have bad feelings.

“Etto…… is it as bad as expected?

“It is not at the level of being bad……”

While Ranze-san was surprised, Noado-san properly explained to me.

“……Seiichi-san. In this continent, when a man gives a woman a ring, and put it on her left hand ring finger, it means a promise of eternal love”

“Bufoa!?”

It was outside my expectations, what an absurd thing I did!

As I involuntary coughed, at the impatient me Noado-san said with his eyes half opened.

“…… I think it is beyond reparations in various ways. Even though I lived longer than you I’ve never made such a mistake”

“…… it was unexpected to me too”

“What’s more, such an important oath? That is a lie, try to say it was a misunderstanding, there is no doubt you will be killed.”

“Ugh!”

“Love alone is an important thing to a woman. In your country could be different, but here it is the most important”

“……that true. After hearing the talk, Seiichi-san was actually a bit…… too thoughtless”

“Gaha!?”

The words just now stabbed my chest! It did it! Stabbed!

But….. that’s true

No matter how much I try to ignore it by thinking it didn’t happen, without a doubt I messed with a woman’s precious love. If there is a misunderstanding, then it has to be cleared. I don’t want to become dishonest, but that is…..

“What should I do……”

To think I would be at my wit’s end .

In the first place, is not like I am well balanced with Altria-san!

With Saria too, I don't think we are well balanced!

Then, Ranze-san said with a laugh.

"What to do you say, there is no other choice but marriage"

"haa!? Ma,marriage!?"

"Ah? What are you getting surprised for? Anyways, a promise of eternal love, there is no other choice but marriage"

"Th, that's true..... But I have....."

Yes, i already, have an important woman called Saria..... she is a gorilla though.

To such an answer, Noado-san got close silently.

"……Seiichi-san, so you had a woman who you set your heart on."

"……Well, yes"

"Oioi, seriously!? You, even though you have such a suspicious get up are popular?"

"Suspicious you say....."

Well yes, a man with his face hidden by a hood is quite suspicious. I am already used to it though.

"But well..... if you had a woman you like already. Then, together with

that woman, just marry both and that's all."

"Aahh!? Both!?"

At Ranze-san outrageous remarks, I raised a load voice instinctively.

"Did I say something strange?"

"Iye, it was quite strange! Normally you do it with one person in a marriage!"

As I tell them with a loud voice, Renze-sam and Noado-san made a strange face for a second, then suddenly made a convinced face.

"It can't be, is the east country different?"

"Eh?"

"Well, in this country polygamy is allowed. Heck, it was so common that I thought its not only this continent but everywhere was the same….."

What did you say!? Is polygamy allowed!?

Seeing me surprised, both of them made convinced expressions.

"It seems I was wrong"

"……Well, even though polygamy is accepted, is rare to see it outside royalty or nobility"

"Mou, I am completely recognised as a person from the East, and

polygamy hasn't been approved there. Why?

Well that won't become a problem, I hope.

More important than that, first is Altria-san. Really what should I do……

As I was suffering from a headache, and thinking desperately, in front of my face tea was placed

"…… it's a tea made from Artel leaves that have a relaxing effect"

"Eh? But I didn't order it……"

"……Let's say is my treat. Next just once, let me give you one advice as an elder"

"?"

"……Absolutely, don't give an ambiguous answer. But I think it will be okay, Seiichi knows what should be done, and how heavy love is. So accept it or reject it, please be sure to do it firmly"

"……"

……true.

An ambiguous answer is not allowed. More importantly, I won't allow it.

Even though I ended like this without realising, giving an ambiguous answer, it's the worst.

…… If unknowingly I end in a situation similar again, I think I will be the worst

"……I understand, I with my mouth, will say it properly"

"……is that so"

Noado-san heard my answer, and smiled contently

I drink the tea that has been prepared for me with much trouble, somehow getting my strength back in my body, and feeling in a better mood.

The taste, was a perfect mild sweetness.

Upon drinking it all, I am reminded of the time.

Come to think of it. I was talking quite a long time, it might be better to return soon.

As I thought so, thanked Noado-san, and stand up,

"Thanks for the meal. The tea, was delicious"

"……Thank you very much. I look forward to your next visit"

"That so, let us talk the next time we meet."

Ranze-san said that to me with a smile.

"Yes, by all means!"

It was a good shop. Let's return again.。

With such a determination in my chest. I left the shop.

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“Whew…… Youth”

After Seiichi went out of the store, Ranze muttered so.

To such a Ranze, Noado quietly said.

“Ranze , it is fine for you not to return home?”

「 “Aah…… if i want to go back. Someone will come to pick me up”

At Ranze’s words, Noado sigh.

“……No matter that I am here, coming here alone, isn’t it too much defenceless?”

“Be at ease. I am not alone so its fine, Ruise is following me properly”

“……haaaa. To come following you here everytime, Ruise-sama sure has it hard”

“That can’t be helped. It’s his job after all.”

“……if you the boss stop coming here, i think it will make it easier.”

“That’s your fault because your food is so good!”

“……It is so easy passing the Buck”

While sighing, Noado showed his bad state.

You can feel everywhere the peaceful atmosphere of Acorriente

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“It’s evening already…..?”

I left the coffee shop Acorriente, Orly to find the sky stained orange, and muttered so.

“Today, it seems I won’t be able to buy a horse…..” (TL: So no new animal harem today?)

Well there is no hurry, it’s fine to do it tomorrow.

“Hmmn…… let’s head back to the inn?”

I don’t know when Saria will be back.

And…… there is also the matter with Altria-san

“……Really, I am so useless,”

I made the decision, but when the time to convey the facts came. I became afraid.

In this world, the act I did, is something more important than on Earth.

"…… I was thrown out of destination, I know I am useless but……"

While muttering so, i was heading to a certain location.

That is the orphanage where Saria was.

……Really so pathetic, I am the lowest.

While I was feeling anxiety alone, I naturally went to Saria.

This lowest and miserable me, I fell into a murderously dull mood.

I, with a dull mood, headed to the orphanage.

Before long, the church where the orphanage came into view.

"…… I arrived"

I sinked into a more depressed mood.

With such a mood, it happened when i was about to enter the church.

"—-Seiichi"

"!!!!"

In a speed that surprised even myself, I turned around.

"……Altria-san"

The one that was standing there, is the person I should confront with the truth…… Altria-san

"……"

"……"

Altria-san and I, we both stay silent facing each other.

The sunset is on Altria-san back, so I can't see her expression.

There is no one around, just Altria-san and me alone.

For a while, there was a time of silence.

……Altria-san is in front of my eyes.

Now, isn't it the time to tell her the misunderstanding of the ring.

I might not receive forgiveness, but shouldn't I apologize?

Of course, I am scared that my relation with Altria-san might end.

…. It is scary. Super scary.

But…. To keep silent, to cheat her…… is even worse.

That's why, say it me. Open your mouth.

What do I fear.

Say it, say it, say it, say it……!

"Ah…… Altria-san! That……. The ring—-"

"—-"

Finally I summoned the courage, but the moment I thought words were flowing.

My mouth was closed by something soft, and I was unable to speak.

“Tsu!?”

“……”

Within reach of my face, there is Altria-san face that has her eyes shut with all her strength.

And, my lips and Altria-san lips are…… overlapped

I…… now, what I am doing?

Why are my lips, and Altria-san lips overlapped?

This is…… kiss……kiss, a kiss?

……

“～～～～～～～～～～Tsu!?”

I who understood the situation, suddenly felt my face become hot.

I……I…… and Altria-san, kiss……kissed……!?

After I analysed the situation I can only stand there with my face bright red.

Still, Altria-san without minding, gently…… continued with a clumsy kiss.

Now, I and Altria-san were in a posture of confronting each other.

In addition, from the impact of receiving Altria-san attack, the hood hiding my face fell of.

Altria-san, who finished the long kiss, downcasted her face.

“…… That, don’t say it”

“Eh?”

“…… I knew, that Seiichi, didn’t have that kind of feelings, when you gave me that ring……”

Such a thing…… in other words, that I didn’t give it to her in order to swear eternal love.

“ Well that—-“

“But, it doesn’t matter”

My words have been blocked by Altria-san words with a clear tone.

Then, Altria-san buried her face in my chest.

“A relationship, I don’t….!”

“It doesnt matter……! Because…… I came to like you”

“!”

Altria-san, shouted so in my chest.

“It’s the first time, this feeling! I know Seiichi has Saria. Even a woman like me knows how super cute she is!”

“……”

“But……but…… I fell in love with you! My chest hurts looking at you!”

“Altria-san……”

“I am…… no good? I can’t be beside Seiichi?”

“That’s not……!”

“It can’t be helped. falling in love! I am not feminine, not cute at all, without charm it was impossible! But even so, I, fell in love with you Seiichi……”

After Altria-san said that, she started sobbing in my chest.

I, what should I do?

I already, have Saria.

Polygamy may be allowed, but I am an Earthling.

Earth…… specially, Japan ethics are getting in my way.

I am pathetic.

Altria-san is important.

But this, I don’t know how should I cherish……someone from the

opposite sex.

Shit!

No matter how much strong my status is, now it's useless.

I have, to make a choice

"……I—-"

"Can you accept her? Seiichi"

"!?"

At the abrupt voice we heard, Altria-san and I are surprised.

Following the origin of the voice…… Saria was there, standing.

"Sa, Saria! This! That……!"

"It is fine, I understand"

I feel like a dad caugh in an affair

"Seiichi, about Altria-san, can you accept her?"

"Bu, but…… is that fine with you?"

Though it is a bad talk, I want to cherish Altria-san, as a member of the opposite sex.

But, I already , have Saria.

Because Saria is here, I about Altria-san, can't look at here that way.

But, Saria was, with a little lonely smile, nodded.

"Un. Of course, I think is sad that I won't be able to keep Seiichi for myself, but, Seiichi's charm, as I thought it is impossible to keep it all for myself"

“Saria……”

“Futhermore you know? Seiichi. A Strong male, will atract women naturally, that is the law of nature”

A, a male she says……

To me who knows Saria was originally a Gorilla, this is not particularly strange, but Altria-san who doesn’t knows tilts her neck.

“Thats why Seiichi, about Altria-san, acept her ok? Because, I too love Altria-san!”

“Saria……”

Altria-san, is staring at Saria in a state of admiration.

“Saria……is it fine?”

“Un!”

Unlike before, with a big smile, Saria said clearly

Ah, shit

I am so clumsy.

Saria……

If a woman doesn’t give me a push in the back, I can’t even make a single decision.

Because I began to fall in self-loathing, I shook my head immediately to switch my thoughts.

I return my line of sight to Altria-san in my chest.

Then Altria-san noticing my sight and looked at me.

For a moment, her eyes opened wide open, for seeing my face for the first time.

Her clear gold pupils, now wet with tears, were looking up at me anxiously.

“Altria-san”

“……Al”

“Eh?”

“About me, call me Al. Thats is what people close to me call me, it is my nickname…… So dont use honorific!”

Saying so very shyly…… Altria-san made a wry smile.

“I understand, Al”

“……Un”

Making a happy face, Al stared up-from-under me.

I extend my hand, to Al cheek naturally, the me from before couldnt do it normally.

But, now for some reason, without worrying, I can do it naturally.

……think, you can do it

The most important thing is, Al

“I too, about Al—- I love you”

“!”

So next, from me this time, a kiss was given to Al.

The problem from before, I can’t feel them anymore…..

The kiss with Al, tasted like tea of Artel leafs that brewed Noado-san. A faintly sweet, very gentle kiss.

Very slowly we separated our lips.

“Al, even though I am unreliable, shameless…… I will work hard, so that you don’t regret falling in love with me.”

“……Un”

“I will cherish you”

“……Un!”

As I declared clearly, I hugged Al.

“With this, you are the same as me!”

From behind me, Saria comes and hugs us.

Seriously…… I can’t win against Saria.

In front of the church stained by the sunset, as if to bless us, the bells resounded in the city.

Shinka no Mi – Chapter 35 - Playboy

「Noooooooooooooooo!」

I, Hiiragi Seiichi, am writhing in agony in the room I'm staying in.

「It's so embarrassing!」

I don't want this anymore! Just remembering it is enough that I want to die!

What am I remembering about? Of course it's Altria-san…… no, the conversation with Al!

「Just why did that embarrassing line pop out!?」

From around the time I stopped using honorifics, I was weird, right!?

Suddenly, I remembered what I said at that time.

『I also————like Al.』

Who the hell are youuuuu!?

No, it's just me though! But, it's different! It's really different! I absolutely can't say those kind of lines!

…It feels like, I've suddenly became calm.

But, thinking about it, I don't understand those kinds of lines.

For me, it sounds like the kind of thing a conquerable character from a shoujo manga or otoge would say.

But really, at that time, I understood that I was going to say that.

Because I don't know the reason why, I've been in confusion and embarrassment for a while.

In addition, the [Endless Love Necklace] divided and then appeared on Al.

Although she was surprised at the uses and effects, as for me, I was overwhelmed by our conversation at that time.

『……Could you put it on my neck, Seiichi?』

『Is that……a no? Since it's matching with the person I've first come to love…… that is…… I want to…… do it with Seiichi all the way……』

『……』

Ugaaaaah!

I'm blushing! I'm turning really red!

First Saria, now Al…… what is with the power level of puppy eyes!?

I bury my face in the pillow, single-mindedly enduring the embarrassment.

For a long time, I buried my face in the pillow, lie around on top of the bed, breathe deeply, and calm down my heart.

「Haa……when will this agony stop……」

Because, Saria's presence isn't in the room, and she is on the dining room to eat breakfast… Together with Al.

I said would also head there soon, so I can't not go there.

「Meeting Al is still embarrassing, but…… I guess I should resolve myself.」

I left the room as I muttered.

When I arrived at the dining room, there were quite a number of people eating their meal, so it was livelier than ever.

Since Saria and the others should have reserved a seat, I start walking and looking around, and come to hear various voices.

「Hey, did you know? Recently, it seems that there's a lot of wolf-type demon sightings in the vicinity of this town.」

「Hee, a Grand Wolf?」

「No, it seems they still don't know the species. Therefore, even if the request is a subjugation quest or an herb collecting quest, it might be better to take care when working near town.」

「Oh, that's info to be thankful for.」

I heard that conversation as I passed by a certain seat.

But still, a wolf-type demon, huh……

Speaking of wolves, the only image in my head is the Aqua Wolf.

With those thoughts, I also heard another voice.

「That reminds me, the heroes of Kaizer Empire went to a magic academy.」

「Is that right? What magic academy?」

「I think…… Barbador Magic Academy, was it?」

「Ah, that only neutral magic academy. However, why Barbador magic academy? Didn't Kaizer Empire have an excellent magic academy?」

「Like I know that!」

Eh, seriously? Shota and the others are going to attend a school, huh……

And here I am, almost dying and then before I knew it, I evolved and became a monster, and they get to live such a good life…… as expected from a hero. I wonder if the country that summoned them is a good place? It doesn't really give that feeling though……

Well, if Shota, Kenji and the others are safe, then it's good. I-it's not like I'm lonely or anything!

Going to the academy, it's probably something to do with the Demon King. Thinking about it like that, it might not be anywhere near as laid-back as I thought.

While quietly sorting out the information I overhear, at the counter I see some men looking troubled over something while conversing.

I wonder what happened. They look a bit serious……

「Hey, listen to this……」

「Oi, what is it.」

「That is, you know how yesterday a few new adventurers came, right?」

「Ah, those guys who were yakking away.」

「Yeah, them. Really, those guys are really deplorable, you know?」

「What is it?」

「When they came to this town, what do you think they said they were going to do? Flirting, you know, goddamn flirting.」

「Ah? I don't see a problem with it. What's so bad about it?」

「Look, hear me out. What do you think they chose their targets by? …… The face.」

「「「W-what did you say!?」」」

……Eh? What are they talking about?

「It ain't possible, is it? But I pick out women to hit on by their napes! Is this the upper class?」

「Nono, that would be the lips.」

「That's no good, It could only be the collarbone.」

「Fu…… You guys are too naive. But the best would have to be…… facial moles.]

「「「O-oh! Are you a god!?」」」

「Don't praise me so much…… It's embarrassing, ya know?」

After such an exchange happened, the men brought it to a close.

「However, well……」

「……While our tastes are all over the places in the end……」

「Yeah, I guess……something like choosing by the face……」

「「「「Deplorable……」」」」

What a disappointment!

Because they're exerting such a uselessly serious atmosphere, when I'm trying to think of what they're talking about……isn't this like revealing each other's fetishes! Your type of people are the most deplorable!

I was a fool for worrying about it……

After getting tired from so much, while looking around again, I finally found Saria and the others. It seems that they've found a round table just for the three of us. Why is it so tiring just to find Saria and the others?

While heading to where Saria and the others, I heard them talking over.

「Come to think of it, why is Al not in the same room as us?」

「I mean, you like Seiichi, right? Then, you should've stayed together with us……Is what I thought. If we tell this to Fina the innkeeper, she would've probably been able to prepare a room for the three of us, you know?」

「T-that is……You are maybe right……. B-but, um…… it's embarrassing, right? You know…… Staying together with the person who you like……」

「Ehhhh~?」

As Saria tilted her neck as she didn't understand, Al's face got red, as she muttered it shyly.

「And also…… if Seiichi stays with me…… I'll die of happiness……」

「Lovetalk, disperse!」

Bakii!

I punched my cheeks with full force.

It's useless. I'm just making myself suffer needlessly here.

Well, the pain causes the embarrassment from before to decrease.

Thanks to that, my cheeks really hurt. But, as one would expect from a monster-class status. My attack power is monster-class, but the defence power is also monster-class. If I can only feel the pain, and no blood is coming out then my teeth aren't broken. I wanted it to produce a nice

sound, ya know!?

Even so, just now, it really was a love affair talk.

Aaa…… It's hard to deal with beautiful girls like Saria and Al, in quite a few ways since my immunity against females dropped severely since entering high school.

Up until middle grade school, I only rarely concerned myself with my childhood friends Kannazuki-senpai and Shota's little sister Miwa. After entering high school, I avoided people so I'm struggling now.

No, I was bullied back then, wasn't I?

No matter how much you try to clean yourself at home, you're still going to get dirty again if you go to school, right? With the way people treat rubbish, just saying it makes me feel disgusted. And yet, the way people treat filth, even though it's not my fault…… it's unreasonable.

That's why no matter how much I cleaned myself at home, I continued to be unmindful of getting dirty and ultimately receive cruel treatment from girls too.

There's no way that my immunity against girls could continue after that. It's gotten to the point where I have what could be classified as mild gynophobia.

But at some point while living in the『Forest of Endless Love』with Saria, those feelings came to pass. Maybe it's because that she didn't appear as a beautiful girl, but appeared as a gorilla that I was able to overcome it little by little.

While thinking about the past, and thinking about Saria being the opportunity to slowly overcome my trauma, I arrived at the table.

「My bad, I made you wait.」

「No, it's alright~!」

Saria said with a big smile on her face.

Looking at Saria, I sat as I'm enveloped in a feeling of kindness.

「Well then, let's order our food.

As I said that, I called Fina's husband, Lyle the cook over.

「Sorry to keep you waiting. Haha, Seiichi has flowers on both hands.」

「I also think that.」

Really, I can't help but feel being out of place.

While thinking that self-ridicule, I kept it to myself and we ordered our dishes.

After a while, our dishes were carried here.

「Today, it's『Ruruno Berry's jam』and bread, the salad with『Bebefish's soup』. The soup might be a bit hot, so be careful.」

When Lyle-san said that, he went back to the kitchen.

But still……what's this Ruruno Berry? Bebefish? Crap, I don't know those names.

But I occasionally eat dishes made with ingredients I haven't heard of at this inn, but since they are nevertheless delicious I'm not worried about that.

By the way, while I was still living in the forest, Shota and the rest of the heroes had the cuisine reformed as Gassur said. They incorporated Eath's

style in cooking here in this world making it more delicious.

Suddenly, while I was thinking about it, Saria and the others asked me.

[Come to think about it, what will everyone do for today?]

Then, Al answered first with a look on her face that showed she was thinking.

[Let's see…… I want to move my body for a little, so I'm going to do a subjugation quest.]

[I see. Speaking of which, immediately after returning from the labyrinth, you were tired because all that happened.]

[It's like that. And also, um…thank you… for saving me at that time.]

As Al said so shyly, I shook my head.

[Don't worry about it. I only saved you because I wanted to save you.]

[I see.]

Hearing my answer, Al laughed joyfully. Then we resumed eating.

[Today, I will go to the orphanage!]

[Hee. Did something happen there yesterday?]

After Al said her plans, Saria spoke up.

[Hmmm… Though nothing really happened but I promised that I'll make snacks for the children.]

[I see.]

I still think it's mysterious how Saria was able to make such delicious food in the middle of that forest. Well, it's not like there was some kind of problem with it, so it's fine.

Well, Saria's a good cook, so the children will surely enjoy it.

[For me, today I'm thinking of buying a horse.]

[A horsie?]

While I said so, Saria tilted her neck, and Al asked me curiously.

[Hee. Seiichi is buying a horse. But, why?]

[Well, Gassur recommended me to. If you're living as an adventurer then isn't it like a necessity?]

[Well, yeah. It's not like everything can be put in the item box. So, they help carrying tools that can't fit in the item box, and can play a great role in escorting, so horses are important to adventurers.]

[Hohoou]

Well, in my case, I don't think I need horses, though.

I mean, my running speed is comparatively overwhelmingly faster, my power is overwhelmingly stronger too.

But, as I've heard, to live as an adventurer it seems it's a good idea to have a horse.

It’s not like I’m planning on taking on any subjugation or escort quests, but still, it will at least serve as camouflage.

……At first I was just planning on taking on collection quests to make a living, but my power has already been found out by Al, and Gassur seems to have noticed a few things too.

While I was thinking about a lot of things while finishing our meal, we moved out respectively to where we want to go.

Al returned to her room to prepare for her equipment, while Saria went to the orphanage as planned, and I accompanied Saria partially along the way.

[Everyone’s healthy today too!]

While watching the people in the city, Saria said that with a smile.

To Saria, the people also looked at us with a pleasant smile.

[You’re right. I hope that we could spend our time peacefully without anything big happening peacefully.]

While I was also enticed by Saria’s smile, I laughed as I said that.

But to think that my words would trip a flag, I didn’t think about it at all.

Right—-.

[Hey, bro. You’ve got a pretty girlfriend there.]

[Hey girl, why don’t you just leave that shady guy and have fun with us?]

[We can treat you some tea~?]

——To have gotten caught in such a cliche development…!

And, this kind of invitation……. Even on Earth, there’s no skirt chaser who’d do it like that…….

While thinking those things, I was glaring at these three who’re messing around.

I don’t know if this world has hair dyeing techniques, but from what I can tell, their hair seems pretty damaged and their ears pierced. The looks are so cliche that it contrarily left me astounded.

Probably, these three are the ones the men talked about back in the inn. The adventurers from another town.

How to say this, their atmosphere is different from the townspeople.

[……Who’re you?]

Then, the person who is being hit on, Saria, after thinking for a while asks this.

She genuinely just wants to know who the three in front of her are.

[Hey, Seiichi. Do you know these people?]

[No, I don’t know at all.]

[Hmmm. Then, do you need something?]

When Saria asked while inclining her neck to the side, the leader of these three wears a disgusting smile.

[Yes,yes. We just want you to follow us for a while~.]

[We won't do anything bad to you.]

[Ah, but you won't be joining us.]

Politely, a gun was fired at me.

If it was still the me from Earth, I would be scared and be on my knees immediately.

But, what is this……I'm not scared at all.

Is it because I was fighting with the Clever Monkeys, and Zeanosu, also the Black Dragon (God), those kinds of monster-classes continuously? I think that my status is also a part of why I'm not scared of even monster-classes.

Anyways, from what I've seen from these three, there is nothing that makes me remotely scared about them.

While thinking of such things, Saria makes a look as if she's figured out and is convinced of something.

[Ahh! I see now!]

I don't know if they know about picking up girls, but it seems that at least Saria knows about it. Because she seems to understand it…… She's conscious of being picked up I think.

Then, Saria turned towards me.

[Seiichi, it's alright. Leave this to me!]

[Wha? Saria, What do you mea—]

Before I was able to spoeak to Saria, she moved in faster, and spoke to the three.

[Okay. I'll come with you! Where are we going?]

While Saria asked in an innocent way, the three's disgusting smile deepened.

[Hehe, it's good you're fast at undestanding.]

[You see that alley there, there's a really nice shop at the back of it.]

[Yeah,yeah. Well then, shall we go then?]

For some reason, Saria was planning to follow them, so I hurriedly stopped them.

[H-hey! Saria, you……]

[Don't worry! I'll be fine!]

Well, it's obvious you'll be alright.

Because Saria-san, you're over level 700 you know!?

Even if these three group together, they will certainly be instantly annihilated.

While thinking that, Saria and the three disappeared to the back alley.

I became worried and went after them.

Who am I worried at?

Of course who. It's—.

—Those three!

I rushed at the back alley.

But, the moment I reached the back alley, I watched the three of them, pale-faced, run away at full speed.

Just what the hell did you do!?

As I arrived, I peeked at the back alley.

And then, what's there was…….

[Ah, Seiichi. It's already over.]

[GYAAAAA! A GORILLAAAA!!]

……Gorilla-form Saria—Shortened, Goria stood there. ——In a one-piece dress.

Since I wasn't sure what to do, and it's the first time I've seen Goria come out, I involuntarily shouted out.

Stop transforming while wearing a one-piece like that! Your bursting pectorals are going to stretch the one-piece!

This, if this one-piece wasn't from that sheep, it's certain that it'll burst off, right!?

As I involuntarily screamed inside my head, looking dissatisfied, Goria says.

[Muu…… how cruel, yelling like that.]

[Ah…… S,sorry.]

[You might as well become madly in love with me?]

[You’re asking the impossible!]

No matter how hard I try, I’m not going to be able to fall madly in love with a gorilla wearing a one-piece!

After having such a conversation, I asked what suddenly came up to my mind.

[Come to think about it, why did you went along with those three?]

[Eh? But, didn’t they approach me because they wanted to see my transformation?]

[I think it’s different!?]

To begin with, I should be the only person who knows that Saria can transform.

In other words, Saria didn’t even realise that she was being hit on by those three…… How sad.

[More importantly, you should revert back to being a human again, Saria.]

[Well, if someone sees you—-]

[Well? If it isn’t Seiichi-kun! Do you know about the muscle training?]

This is why you should have transformed back……!

As I let out a cold sweat and looked behind me, Gassur takes on a Muscle Pose and stands there.

[Ga,Gassur……]

[What an unexpected meeting! Right now, I am doing my daily routine, just finished my running! Not only muscles, but physical strength is also important! You should consider doing it too!]

Well, concerning health that's certainly true……!

It's just that, I don't want to meet you in this kind of situation.

However, as Gassur shouldn't know that, he is looking at my back where Saria is.

[Oh? The one at Seiichi-kun's back is—-]

As he saw Saria's appearance, Gassur's face was astonished.

Ah, this…… How should I explain this…….

But, I misunderstood.

In the first place, Gassur isn't the type of person to press me for details like that.

In other words, what I wanted to say is—-.

[I, I LOSSSST!]

Gassur suddenly dropped his head and started lamenting.

[Bursting with chest muscles….. Spine swelling….. The biceps reminiscent of mountains…. They all far exceed my muscles……!]

[In this town……no, in this continent, I am confident that no one can beat my muscles! But someone just easily……]

[Kuuuuuu! I can't be left behind…… Seiichi-kun! I'm sorry but I need to train even more now! Well then, I shall excuse myself!]

While shouting that, Gassur looked back at Goria.

[Fuu…… I don't know who you are or where you came from, but you opened my eyes that had been ignorant to the world. I thank you. …… Farewell!]

After saying that, Gassur disappeared from our sights while bunnyhopping.

[……Saria. Hurry up and revert back to being a human.]

[Okay.]

In this town, if you cannot sufficiently pick up girls, it's not strange for them to turn into gorillas.

[What the hell was that……!]

[Like I knew something like that……!]

[Damn right! Who would've thought that woman can transform into a gorilla! On top of that…… It was wearing a one-piece dress, ya know!?]

[[[WHO'D LIKE THAT!]]]

The three who were flirting Saria said that at the square, catching their breaths.

[Ah……Damn it! From yesterday, we haven't succeeded in flirting even once……!]

[Really, what's wrong with this town!?]

They said while being dissatisfied while letting the time pass.

[You guys, haven't seen your faces around?]

Someone spoke to the three of them.

As the three faced the direction of that voice, they saw somemean-spirited, similar-looking people to the three standing there.

[……Who the fuck are you?]

One of the three asked with caution.

And then, one of the mean-spirited guys, responded.

[Well, it's nothing really…… it's just that, we thought that you're newbies since we don't recognize you three.]

[Ah? …… Well, we came to this town yesterday.]

The three, not knowing the mean-looking guys' intentions, inclined

their necks.

But on the contrary, the mean-looking guys had a look as if they found their prey.

[I see, I see…… You guys, do you want to do something reeeally nice??]

—-At this time, the fate of the three was decided.

At the words of the mean-looking guy, the three's eyes sparkled and nodded without hesitation.

And the result was——.

The three's screams were resounding throughout the town.

Kaizer Empire; The Emperor's room.

There, the current emperor of the empire, Shelder. Wol. Kaizer and an old man wearing a robe…… Helio.Roban were talking concerning the heroes.

[Your majesty. There's something I'd like to report about one of the heroes…….]

[N? Did something happened?]

[Actually, the heroes have apparently been saying they wanted to have combat experience.]

[What? Shouldn't they already be gathering battle experience under

Zaika??]

[Perhaps, that Zaika, probably doesn't want to send the heroes to fight the demon king.]

Hearing Helio's words, Shelder frowned.

[According to my subordinate's reports, by now, Zaika is making the heroes get used to handling weapons mainly, but in terms of combat training, they haven't done it once.]

[What is that guy doing……!?]

Shelder was furious after hearing Helio's report.

[You understand this? before we can exterminate these damn demons so that I can gain the resources in the Makai, the Demon Lord is in the way! In the first place, the demons have since long ago raised the same livestock as us…… and the same as us humans, building a country is not something that we can forgive!]

[You are absolutely correct.]

[In spite of this…… They still haven't started their combat training? If the Demon King is completely revived, do you know how much damage it'll cause!?]

While hitting the desk with all his might, Shelder screamed.

Helio advised indifferently to calm Shelder down.

[Your majesty, at this rate, don’t even mention the heroes being a threat to the demons, they won’t even end up gathering the diversion supplies to other countries.]

[Well then, summoning them will be all for nothing!]

[It’ll be alright, your majesty.]

At that time, Helio smiled for the first time.

[As I’ve said a while ago, I heard that the heroes wanted to have combat experience.]

[Okay.]

[From there…… I’d like to recommend them to be enrolled to Barbador Magic Academy.]

[What did you say!?]

Hearing Helio’s words, Shelder’s eyes opened wide.

[Why’d you enroll them to that place! There are a lot of students from other countries studying in that magic academy, you know!? Even in the case where the heroes commute to the academy, instead of such a plebian academy as that, commuting to our country’s Academy is much more beneficial, is it not!?]

[I understand that so much it hurts. But still, when the lot over at that other country gather this time…… it will work out well.]

[……What do you mean?]

After hearing Helio's words, Shelder got interested and encourage him to go on.

[The heroes, despite not doing combat training, I will make them practice magic training. And, with the heroes' nature, all of them can use at most 3 attributes in magic and they are at the level where they can use intermediate magic.]

[Barbador Magic Academy, just as their name implies, focuses on magic. And as I said earlier, the heroes can use intermediate-level magic at least. And there, there are almost no nobles or talented people studying there.]

[Fumu.]

[But, if the heroes were to attend that academy, they would inevitably end up monopolising the top. In other words, the heroes will end up displaying their power for a lot of people in the other country if they go to Barbador Magic Academy, where a lot of foreigners assemble.]

[I see.]

As Helio wanted to show off the power of the heroes to the other countries, dared to enroll to Barbador Magic Academy .

Because such a large group of multinational students assembled together, it just means that the information about the heroes can be spread all around the country.

[And, there is also one more advantage.]

[And what is that?]

[In Barbador Magic Academy, there is a lesson of acquiring combat experience, to satisfy the heroes. If we always grant the heroes needs, we can easily control them with gratitude.]

[Will it go well?]

[It'll be alright. The Adult heroes are still in the prison..... Even if the heroes train, in the end they are still kids. To take advantage of this opportunity, I will give you one condition.]

[What are the conditions?]

[I'll have them wear the [Bracelet of Slavery]]

The [Bracelet of Slavery] is originally a forbidden magic tool, but the heroes are from another world and didn't know about it, Helio and Shelder thought.

[Just, the bracelet of servitude can only have two orders engraved. Then, depending on the revival of the Demon King, you can smoothly have a subjugation order ready, and for the case of the demons deciding to invade our country, you can have an order etched into it immediately cope with it. If we do that, even with the Magic Academy being there, they absolutely cannot escape. Even if the bracelets are removed, we still have our power.]

[But, the problem is to keep them docile while installing it.....]

[For that, you can just lie about the effects to them. In the end, it's not like they will find out.]

[I see..... That's also right!]

Shelder at first was in a bad mood, but now in a good mood.

[Well then, let’s immediately make our move. Helio, can I leave this to you?]

[Certainly, your highness.]

In the Emperor’s room, a conspiracy is made without the heroes’ knowledge—-.

Shinka no Mi – Chapter 36 - A very ordinary horse?

「It's here huh……」

I who separated from Saria, safely reached the shop which sells horses, using the map drawn by Gassur.

Incidentally, the shop's name is called『Monster Store』. On the noticeboard placed outside of the shop, 、『We sell cute demons who go straight to chewing your head whole』has been written on it.

…. Wtf!?

Wait a second! Could demons who chew heads whole really be cute?

No no, Milk-chan in Adoriaa san' s house matches that description, but….!

I-if it become domesticated, they will be adorable, I guess…?

Before I enter the shop, the uneasy me resolves myself and step into the shop.

「Hm? Welcome! What kind of monsters are you looking for ? 」

When I enter the shop, the relatively handsome Ossan, seemingly full-of-energy, who has a cleanly shaved bald head/ Saitama Ossan called out.

「Etto… I want a horse.」

I promptly inform him of my intent that I wished for a horse.

And, the Ossan broadly grinned.

「Haha~. You're participating in the upcoming tournament as well?」

「Eh? Tournament?」

As I heard this word out of nowhere, I reflexively gave out a stupid voice.

Looking at me, the Ossan realized his misunderstanding and smiled bitterly.

「Ahh, What the, I am mistaken. No, I am very sure that you will participate in the【Royal Cup】that is held this time round.」

「Ehh… What's that?」

To my stupid question, the Ossan without feeling bothersome, taught me courteously.

「To put it simply, it is a 1 lap race around the Royal Capital castle walls. The monsters to be ridden on are of course the horse type. This race will determine the best rider in the Royal Capital. The winner of the race are always rewarded with a gift. Looking at your response, it seems you don't plan to enter this race, do you. 」

「Err. To tell the truth, I am in the midst of a adventurer's request, I was told that I will probably need to use a horse」

But… Race huh. Is that something like horse race ?

Well, from Ossan's way of speaking, It seems like anyone can enter the race.

「I see. Well, come along I will show the horses that adventurers usually use.」

Being led by Ossan,when I enter into the depths of the shop, Wolf-type monsters, Clever Monkey-like monkey-type monsters, etc.. The various monsters are locked in strong-looking cages.

「We're here. This one is what Adventurers usually use.」

「This is.....」

Within the cage that Ossan has guide me to, there are multiple black horses with silver scales on the flank and the legs.

「It's a『Dragon Horse』type. Wild Dragon Horses are ferocious but if they are domesticated, they will listen to human's orders and become a gentle horse. Since it has strength/power/horse power, it can pull carriages easily. In addition, if you ride it, the speed will be immense. 」

「Wow」

Dragon Horse huh.. Just by the name itself, sounds really cool and majestic.

Well, In the first place, there is no need for a horse itself so this horse seems good. By good fortune, I am blessed with tons of money.

「This Dragon Horse seems good. How much is it?」

「Let me see.. It will cost you 5 gold coins.... Ahh! I had forgotten to ask you....」

In the midst of telling me the cost of the horse, Ossan frantically enquired me.

「Do you have the『Riding』skill?」

「Riding Skill.. No, I do not have.」

「If that's the case, this horse is impossible.」

「Eh!?」

It was said too suddenly so I am now stunned.

There's such a skill as 'Horseback riding'? Furthermore, even though I heard the skill name, it seems that even with my cheat skill I can't acquire it.

To learn it, do (I) need to ride a horse at least once?

Thinking to that extent, I suddenly came across a good idea.

If hearing the skill name didn't work, perhaps hearing about the method of horse riding will (activate/cause) the acquisition.

Thinking so, I decide to ask the ossan straight away.

"Oh! Though it seems like a weird thing, will you tell me how you ride a horse?"

"I cannot ride a horse!"

"What the hell……!"

Even though he sells monsters, it appears somehow or another that not just the Dragon Horse, he can't ride the rest of the monsters either. チクショウ！'God damn it / Son of a bitch.'

When I was thinking about it, a robotic voice resounded in my head.

『All Language Comprehension Skill Activate ———— Successful. You are now able to understand Dragon X Horse language.』

Eh? W-What (Wut?)

With such an abrupt development, I who was surprised, immediately understood the meaning of the words that was spoken just a while back/

Ah, I see.『All Language Comprehension』is the skill which was obtained

from the treasure chest when I defeated the black dragon god labyrinth.

Although it cannot be said to be a success in definite, but it is written that it will be effective on monsters as well and this time round, the skill has activated.

As I was thinking of that, I move look towards the Dragon Horses and trying listening to what those Dragon Horses were talking about/

It's not like I can actually understand what horses are talking about.

Now, horses……what kind of conversation are you having!?

『Oi, that hood covered human… it seems like he can't fucking ride a horse?』

『Uwaaa, laame.』

『Ora, Humans who can't even ride a horse leave now immediately!』

『Dudes who can't ride a horse, we will never follow their orders~』

Earth shattering regret.

…. I am being labelled as an Idiot by the horses….

If one were to notice, sweat is flowing out from my eyes. They aren't tears. It's not like that.

The Ossan who did not notice anything, continued talking normally to me who took a huge amount of damage mentally/emotionally.

「Besides, there are other horses that are geared towards beginners. If it's those type of horses, you do not need riding skill as well. While riding the horse, you are also able to obtain the riding skill.」

"Ah, is that so?

Oh, well if it's like that then it's fine.

On top of that, if it's supposed to be for beginners then it's perfect for me right now.

“Since just a while ago, there’s been exactly one left. Follow me.”

I’m once again guided by the ossan to a different cage.

“This guy is that one.”

“Oh!”

There was a sharp-looking horse with deer-like antlers and a beautiful, deep brown coat standing elegantly.

Different to the dragon-horses from before, he has a refined appearance. Also rather than scales he has horns.

“This guy’s species name is『Dolt』.”

Fairy: It’s a pun . 馬鹿 which means Idiot

Osura: Deer/colt; dolt.

Although it has a harsh species name.

Dolt (ウマシカ)…… if put in kanji, it would mean 馬鹿 (baka/horse deer) right? Wasn’t there any better name?

Although it is true that it’s a horse with deer-like antlers……

“Although I said it’s geared towards beginners, but this guy is amazing in a lot of ways, you know? First, its horsepower is on another level. It’s double that of the Dragon Horse from before.”

“Double!?”

Dolt is amazing!

“Its speed is abnormal so it has the ability to overtake those even in the upper strata of horses. On top of that, it’s loyal, and not ferocious even in the wild unlike Dragon Horses. Well, overall it’s a good horse.”

It’s true! Its image is completely taking over the Dragon Horse from before!?

It loses in name, but in performance it’s unreal!

I’ve already engraved ‘This dolt is mine!’ into my heart.

But, the ossan walked over here and said something astonishing.

“But, you know? This guy is……to an astonishing degree, a dolt.”

“Exactly as the name!?”

To think that the ‘dolt’ really was a dolt!

To that astonishing truth, I unintentionally retorted and the ossan continued on.

“Hmm, to say to what extent of a dolt it is……first, it can’t reach its destination.”

“Already a fatal blow-!”

“It would forget that it has already eaten.”

“Seriously!?”

“It forgets who its owner is.”

“That’s the worst out of all of them!”

“And finally……it forgets to breathe.”

“It’ll die!?”

“Yeah. And because of that, it doesn’t even notice that it has died……”

“It’s the ultimate dolt, isn’t it!”

There’s no way to save it……!

Even though it’s got such damn uselessly dignifying features, when you take a look inside the gift horse’s mouth, It’s nothing more than a nag!

Those rare high-specs are completely going to waste!

I’m tired in a lot of ways because of the dolt that is full of opportunities to retort at.

While I’m catching my breath, I suddenly realise something.

……Why is it that the skill was able to unconditionally activate with the Dragon Horse, yet it won’t activate with the dolt?

When I tilt my head to that question, the ossan has, before I knew it, entered the cage.

“Well, while it’s true that he is a dolt, if you properly train him, he can be used as a proper horse. Okay!”

While saying that, the ossan hits the dolt’s neck.

……thud.

In that instant, the dolt, still in a standing position, falls in the opposite direction to that of which the ossan hit its neck from.

While looking at the dolt who has suddenly collapsed, the ossan says one thing.

“……Ah. It kicked the bucket.”

DOOOOOOOOOLT!

So it really ended up forgetting to breathe and died!? I'm pretty sure that's not on the same level as 'dolt' anymore!?

So when I thought that the skill just wouldn't activate, it was because it was dead!? Although it's true that to a corpse, words don't mean crap!

But the most idiotic-looking thing is, the dolt which should be dead is still wearing that dignified expression……!

Before acting all cool, do something about your head…….

I can't help but feel pity for the dolt after his stupid act that went above and beyond in a direction I wasn't expecting.

Then, the ossan who had been gazing at the dolt in silence for a while suddenly opens his mouth.

"Well, if he's dead then there's nothing we can do. I guess I'll make him into basashi and eat him."

"OSSAAAAAAAAN!"

Don't you have any sense of affection! At least hold a memorial service for him……!

I wonder if he realised my feelings for he faced towards me and explained.

"You can eat dolt. That's why, when they die, the owner always eats the dolt."

"I see……"

"It's all part of a 'stable' diet!"

I ignored the old man joke that the ossan made with all his might.

“But…… since this guy died, I only have two species left I can introduce to you……. Moreover, there are some special circumstances surrounding these two…….”

“Uhm……why?”

To my question, the ossan fell into thought for a moment, then guided me to another different cage.

“Well, it’s faster if you see it. Follow me.”

Like that I follow him to a cage that’s solidness can’t even be compared to the dolt or Dragon Horses’.

On top of that, rather than bars like those of before, the cage is completely covered in iron plates, and there doesn’t even seem to be any way to confirm what’s going on inside aside from a small window on the door.

“Listen, okay? This guy is a being that even I don’t understand.”

“Eh?”

“Since it has a somewhat horse-like appearance, I’ll introduce it to you, but……anyway, take a look.”

Then I, who was prompted by the ossan, peek inside the cage from the small window.

“OooooOOOOOOOOOOooooo”

I immediately shut the window.

……

“That’s weird……instead of a horse, I feel like I saw a monster……”

To confirm, I once again peek inside the cage from the small window.

“OooooOOOOOOOOOOooooo

Inside the cage, there was some kind of incomprehensible creature with yellow skin and walks on four legs, without eyes or a nose, and three mouths.

……

“I didn’t imagine it……!”

That’s no horse! That’s a monster! On top of that, it’s more monster-like than the Dragon Horses or any of the monsters I’ve fought until now!

While I’m confused in a lot of ways, the ossan says with a serious tone,

“Yeah……as always, it’s incomprehensible. Over the years I’ve seen all kinds of monsters, but this one is the most nasty-looking one that I’ve seen. To tell the truth, it’s gross.”

Amazing. Its appearance is sufficient enough to cause even the person selling it to reel back.

I try peeking into the small window one last time to appraise it.

『Unidentified Life-Form Lv？？？』

It's the rumoured UMAAAAAAA!?

That's not a horse (uma), it's a UMA (Unidentified Mysterious Animal)!

I thought it was strange! For it to be more monstrous than monsters!

On top of that, the level is a question mark!?

"O, ossan……I'll ask anyway, but what's with this UMA?"

"If I remember it correctly… when I was procuring feed for the horses and other monsters outside the castle walls, it fell from the sky. Well, that really surprised me!"

"That's not the kind of story that would end with you just getting surprised"

It wasn't a girl but a UMA that fell from the sky!? Even Ghi○li would be surprised!

When I'm making a stronger retort than normal, like the time with the Dragon Horses, a robotic voice resounds in my head.

『All Language Comprehension Skill Activate ———— Successful. You are now able to understand Unidentified Life-Form language.』

It seems like it succeeded.

With this, I fulfilled humanity's dream… I am able to establish contact with aliens!… Huh? Why is it that I'm not happy at all?

I timidly peek into the cage from the small window to try to listen to the UMA's voice.

『……KILLKILLKILLKILLKILLKILL……HUMANS、ABSOLUTELY、WON'T FORGIVE……』

"Ossan, let's go see the last horse."

I've decided that I never heard the UMA's voice.

Yeah, I didn't hear anything. That's right, I didn't hear any kind of grudge-filled voice……!

"Oh? You done with this fellow?"

"Yeah, I'm completely satisfied. I absolutely don't want him so rest assured."

"Is that right? Well, I guess that's fine."

I'm once more led by the ossan to a different cage.

Then, he furrows his brow.

"I'll tell you straight, okay? The horse I'm about to show you is the one I can't recommend the most."

"Eh?"

"After all, it doesn't listen to its master. Even if I try to get it to copulate to get it to birth a new horse, it kicks all the male horses away. That's why, this girl hasn't copulated once since birth. If any humans come close, she tries to kick them away; even me. Really, a mare that won't give birth and just sits around is a waste of food and space. Well, as long as I don't die naturally, I've made sure that she won't be culled. I give her food, and I am at least going to look after her until the end, but……. The reason I feel like she is in the way might be partially my fault, so."

“Ee? But if that’s the case, then the UMA from before is more dangerous right? I couldn’t sense any kind of friendly atmosphere from it. ”

As I say something blatantly obvious, the ossan heaves a huge sigh.

“It is true that in terms of degree of danger and obedience that monster is probably the worst. But, that guy has value in the form of being a creature I know nothing about. Since it still has value as goods in that aspect, the chance of it being sold is high. And this horse that I’m troubled about doesn’t have any value like that. Or rather, it loses even to a normal horse. Do you understand now? That horse is————.”

I’m prompted by the ossan, and peek inside the cage.

It has a beautiful brown coat, smaller than the Dragon Horses and dolt……or rather smaller than normal horses by around a size, and its legs are strong-looking.

With long eyebrows and beautiful russet-coloured eyes, she is very beautiful, dignified and adorable.

That’s right, the horse that is inside the cage is a————

“————a donkey……!”

The ossan’s bitter cry resounds in the room.

Degiggled Shinka chap 37 - A Donkey's Loyalty

I was very puzzled when I looked at the donkey in front of me.

……No matter how I look at it, it's just a donkey, right?

Why the Ossan was negative to this extent, I don't understand at all.

As I wondered while tilting my neck, Ossan entered the cage.

As though approaching close to the donkey is scary, Ossan is trembling.

And then, I witnessed something.

「You Listening? I really can't recommend this guy at all!」

「O-Ossan!」

――- A second where I saw the donkey's foot driving its foot to the face of Ossan……!

「Y-you see that……? I-it's… too…… ferocious……?」

「Yeah, I was really surprised.」

I was seriously surprised. Thanks to my Mind's Eye cheat skill, I was able to see the hoof caving into his face.

Thanks to Ossan's sacrifice which explained clearly the situation, I now know how painfully violent this donkey is. Though the person in pain is not me but Ossan.

The Ossan nodded at me with a serious look on his face, showing a thumbs-up, while looking exhausted.

Somehow or another it seems that the ossan is expecting a tsukkomi but I'll ignore it. It's too bothersome.

While thinking about it, inorganic voices resounded in my head

「Activating All-language Comprehension skill—— Success. You are now able to understand the language of the donkeys.」

No, I'm good. Honestly, I don't want to understand donkey's language as well.

My desires were in vain, for now I'm able to understand donkey language.

「Fuuun. Only the people I acknowledge are the ones who can touch me.」

Uwaaa…… this donkey's a clean-freak.

As I was thinking that, the voice resembled a frigid woman.

Hearing the donkey's voice, I reflexively got drawn towards her. The donkey then realizes my presence.

「Hm? Who the hell are you!?」

「Eh!? I-I'm Seiichi!」

Oi, me! Why the fuck did I reply seriously!? The other party is a donkey!? From the eyes of Ossan who couldn't understand the words of the donkey, aren't I just a guy who did a self introduction abruptly a weird freak!?

I, who answered in reflex when she suddenly talked to me, timidly

looked at Ossan.

「Hehe. I see a garden of flowers……」

Ah, it seems it's okay-ish. Though it may be too late for his head.

I look back the donkey again and it seems like it's completely changed before when it was picking a fight a little while ago.

「Seiichi, right? Okay, Seiichi. Come inside the cage for a moment.」

「C'mon, hurry up! Or else, I'll bust this cage open and kick you!」

「This donkey's seriously dangerous!?」

What I originally wanted was…… a friendly horse.

It seems like I might end up having to continue like this without buying a horse now…

When I think about it, if I don't enter the cage, it seems like she'd really bust the cage open and break free. So in the end, I obediently entered the cage.

「Hey, come inside the cage proper—-」

「Divine Punishment!」

The moment I entered the cage, the donkey kicks at me at a tremendous speed.

When I twisted my body in order to evade it, the donkey muttered destestly.

「You're good, even though you're just a mere human being.」

「What the hell is a mere ass saying…… (Ru: Sorry, couldn't resist)

「But, you're head seems a little weak! You just went and easily trespassed on my territory!」

「You just said to come inside, that's why I entered here, ya know!?」

What the hell is with this donkey!? It's really unreasonable!

While looking at the donkey with half-opened eyes, it tried to kick me again.

「Eiiii, no more questions! Just accept my kick and grovel!」

As I confirmed it with my Mind's Eye, the sharp kick are coming right into my face. And also, what "no more questions" bullshit? Aren't you the one who is one-sidedly trying to kick me?

But still……Even if I evade this, the kicks are never-ending…….

Though it was the same with Saria back then, why are there so many muscle-brains? This donkey doesn't seem to be a demon though. Although we are able to converse, it seems we can't have a discussion.

Do I have no choice but to show my power in order to silence this donkey as well?

Well, recalling back of my first encounter with Saria, I was attacked one-sidedly too.

While thinking many things, the donkey's kick is coming right at me. So as for now, I grabbed it's foot and raised the donkey up. Ohh, as expected of a monster-class status! The donkey's light.

「Naaah!? Re-release me!」

「Ahh? Why would I do that?」

「I won't be able to kick you like this!」

「Okay, I absolutely won't let you go.」

As I seize the hind legs of the donkey and lifted it up, the donkey is now lifted up in midair.

But even in this state, it was still trying to land a single hit on me, and was rampaging around.

For a short while, while still being lifted up, it rampaged around for a while. Before long, when it realized that its attacks aren't reaching me at all, it immediately calms down.

And then, the donkey muttered in a weak voice.

「I-I surrender..... So, please let me down.....」

「Okay~」

I gently brought the donkey down to the ground, the donkey rose to it's feet and approached me.

I tilt my head at the donkey's behavior and then suddenly, she lowers her head to me.

.....What just happened?

「The lowly me had experienced your power to my heart's content. Please kindly forgive all the rude actions that I've made before」

Fairy: Anata-sama can be thought of as a wife called her husband Hue hue. She became damn polite

Anata-sama? Eh, what are you talking about?

Fairy: Anata-sama can be thought of as a wife called her husband Hue hue.

Suddenly, the donkey's attitude turned a 1800 turn made me confused. Un, the confusion doesn't make sense!

While I couldn't grasp the current situation, the donkey continued.

『From the moment I was born, my mother taught me that…… 「Other than those beings whom you have acknowledged, you must not be touched. In addition, if a person whom you've acknowledged appeared, serve him with all you have」, like that……』

「Okaa-san!?」

Hey, Donkey's Okaa-san!? Just what are you teaching to your daughter!? …… Are? Did Donkey's Okaa-san is an ass as well? My thoughts are messed up.

As my brain's processing speed reached its limits, I don't understand anymore. What's with this ass?

「Being stronger than me is important as well but more than that, I'm happy that you treated me equally even if I'm a donkey.」

Yeah, being treated as an equivalent, for example being able to understand the donkey's words, thus we reached a mutual understanding…….

Well, with this, I'm able to make conversations with animals, but at the same time, I can no longer interact with them normally. (Normally in the sense as normal animals)

It's like, treating them like human beings.

Even animals have their own will and emotions.

This All-Language Comprehension Skill is, is really valuable. Treasure Box, the things that you've left, are all very valuable and important things.

Even though it is weird for I, who killed him to do this, I saluted him in my heart.

While thinking those things in mind, the donkey arrived at a conclusion.

「Concerning about Anata-sama, I wish for you to be my Master. Even though I'm still inexperienced, please take care of me in the future.」

「Aren't you too quick in jumping to conclusions!?」

It's already decided!?

No, no matter how you look at it, it's just a donkey and it's not like that it's good enough!

In the first place, even if it's not a horse it's fine so for this time, shall i settle for this donkey?

In the first place, since this donkey had already acknowledged me, so I decided to buy this donkey.

「All right. To begin with, I'm not really fixated on buying a horse. You're good enough.」

「Master. I am called「Rurune」, Please call me by that name in the

future.」

「Saria was also like that. Why are you animals are named with a bishoujo-like names!?」

Is it a fashion? Even among animals, it's fashionable to have bishoujo-like names!?

……No, these kind of thoughts are just for humans only. In the animal kingdom, they have a custom of having names as well.

In other words, while raising a dog, even if the owner named it Pochi, it's real name might be Watson. Somehow, I don't like it.

While lightly doing that and wearily, I informed Ossan that I would buy Rurune.

「Ossan, I think I'll buy this donkey.」

「Fuhehe. It's a fishie!」

What should I do, he's seriously not sane at all……!

When the invalid Ossan is blabbering nonsense, Rurune quietly approached Ossan.

「Master is delayed, because of this pig!」

Ossan is kicked again by Rurune, and collided with the wall.

And then――-.

「Haaa!? Th-this is!?」

「Ah, he finally regained his sanity.」

As Ossan regained his sanity, I told him again that I'll buy the donkey, his eyes opened wide in surprise.

「O-oi. Is it really okay? This guy won't really listen no matter what you say, ya know?」

「It's really okay. Hora.」

「Master's hand feels so good.」

As I caress her neck, Rurune leaned towards me as though she felt really good.

Ossan was even more surprised when he looked at this scene.

「This guy's amazing…… He seriously tamed that crazed tomboy lass so easily……!」

「Hahaha…… Well then, how much is this donkey?」

When I asked for the price, surprisingly, since this donkey was so wild that no one wanted to buy it, it's at a cheap price of 10 gold coins.

I was surprised of how low the price is, and Ossan continued.

「There are various goods that aren't selling well but for you who is acknowledged by this lass, I'll add in a full set of reins as a service.」

「Really!?」

Although I'm not troubled about the money, but I got additional freebies. So I am really grateful.

While I was happy about it, Ossan went to the back of the shop and showed up again with the reins.

「Okay then, I'll attach the reins of it–tsu!?」

「O-Ossannnnn!」

Ossan tried to attach the reins to Rurune but got kicked once again by Rurune.

「The only one who can touch me is Master only.」

This girl's heartfelt loyalty's scary.

But just by grabbing her legs a little, she became helpless.

Due to that incident, I was instructed on how to attach the harness and attached it onto Rurune.

And then, when everything was finished, I paid Ossan 10 gold coins.

「Thank you for your patronage! If there are any other demons that you wish for, please come here anytime! If you request for the maintenance of the harness, I will do it as well. Though, it'll cost you a small amount of money.」

「I understand. Umm……」

「Oppps, It seems like I have yet to introduce myself. My name is Baruzasu. Baruzasu.Aura. Nice to meet you. 」

「My name is Seiichi. Well then, if there's something I need, I'll come here.」

「Okay!」

As Ossan smiled as me leaving—— I bid farewell to Baruzasu and walked around the town while pulling Rurune along.

In the activity report, the Cover Illustrations is published.

To those who haven't looked at it yet. Please take a look of it.

Shinka no Mi 38 – Unexpected development

"Because I was born in that establishment, this is the first time I am going outside…… It is quite a lively desune."

"That is true."

Taking Rurune along, we walked through the town.

Speaking about the donkey Rurune, she was the donkey I had bought tentatively, Therefore, after that we did not do anything much in particular, For the time being we decided to go around the town, thinking what to do until Saria and co return.

Even so…… what should I do?

The reason I entered the Guild, was because I thought I would be able to get easily information about Kenji and the rest.

However, it seems like Kenji and the rest started going to a school somewhere.

I, for one, want to reunite with them.

I had forgotten the school's name, but there is much information about the heroes going to school So if you enquire people about it, you will be able to gather information really quick.

The problem is after that.

As for me who was not summoned as a hero, there is no need to subdue the Demon Lord.

Furthermore, after fighting the Black Dragon God and learning the story about the demon lord I do not find him evil.

From the viewpoint of me who had defeated the Black Dragon God, no matter how much I persist on it, I do not think that the demon lord is not a bad person.

For argument sake, after Kenji and the rest defeat the Demon Lord, what will they plan to do after that. Just like what I had read in the [Forest of Endless Love and Sorrow] the “Hero Abel Chronicle” and just like Zeanosu, after getting used, won’t they be killed?

According to the perpetrator God who sent us to this world, our existence seems to have been erased from the world.

That is why even if we were to return to Earth we do not have a place we belong to anymore.

However, this is another world.

Magic to return our existence(memories) may exist in this world. Even if that is impossible, there might exist a magic which can turn back time to the point before we lose our memories. Something along the lines of magic or items to revive humans. I guess that the existence of that sort of thing is not uncommon in this world.

Even if it is impossible to remember everyone, I might be able to recall

a few people. For example, just my parents or something.

However, I want to remain in this world.

Saria and AI are two important people that I had met.

My parents had moved on, and I am certain that I do not have any pleasant memories on Earth. However, being apart from the world that I was born in, I felt somewhat lonely.

However, even so, I do not want to be separated from those who needed me.

With my own hands, I want to protect them.

…… Well, this sort of feelings are embarrassing so I will never talk about it to other people.

Anyway, the short term objective is to reunite with Kenji and the rest. Moreover, after that when we are reunited I will think about the future.

As I walk about thinking optimistically, Rurune suddenly said something earnestly.

"….. If I had not met Master, I probably would've spent the rest of my life in that cage."

"Nonono, If Rurune were to compromise on prospective owners, it would have been easy for you to leave or so I believe."

That is a really useless way of thinking. What the hell. Following

someone who is stronger than you. Seriously what a donkey!

"Well, more importantly than that, I am damn surprised that I can speak donkey language and horse language."

Animals like Rurune and Dragon horse, humans, are unable to understand their language. Considering in that manner where animals of the same kind speak normally to each other, each of them has their unique language.

..... Then I wonder what kind of meaning is encompassed in "Saria" and "Rurune" names. In their language.

While I was thinking of those things, suddenly Rurune said somehow proudly.

"Master. My name comes from the Donkey's Hero—— [Rurunerion] or so my mother told me.

Deciding on a single Master throughout its life. Running for the sake of that one Master... I always thought of it that way as well!"

"Mouu I do not get this!" (TL: me too.... I do not get this)

What's this? Donkey's hero! What's more, there is meaning to her name!

Even though the conversation was so short, my mental strength is getting drained gradually.

As a guy, I am getting tired of tsukkomi.....

Although I was exhausted for various reasons, with the existence of the Hero from Rurune's words, one may consider those other animals may have stories of heroes transmitted down. So I wanted to try enquiring about it.

While I am thinking about inconsequential matters while walking, I look around the streets, and there was a nice smell coming from the stores which made my stomach growl.

"Nn—I am hungry. Rurune, what do you want to eat?"

"Will you buy food for me as well? Even though I am a Donkey?"

"What are you saying now?"

In spite acting unlike a donkey since a while back, she abruptly insisted acting like one now which made me troubled. Well, considering leaving her as is, eating in front of her will make me feel guilty.

I go to the closest stall and buy two [Bakudan] (Arc note: Bomb). The reason I bought this food? I was interested in the name. After all, it is a bomb you know?

Why is it so dangerous, is why got interested in it.

On the other side, I realized after buying it, aren't donkeys herbivores?

Well…… it will be fine! (Arc note: it will not donkeys do not eat meat….)

I who thought it would be too troublesome, pass the bakudan to

Rurune just like that.

"Master, what's this?"

"It seems like it is a food named Bakudan . I never ate it myself as well, but there were a surprising number of people queuing for it, isn't it popular?

While saying so, I took the bakudan in my hand.

The Bakudan looks like an ordinary pure white Manjuu, and it is in bite-size.

I hesitated for a moment, but I resolute myself and threw the bakudan in my mouth……

That is just like what the word says. It is an incredibly dangerous thing!

"~Mu!?"

At that moment, a bomb exploded in my mouth.

However, that bomb certainly wasn't harmful at all in the slightest.

What overflowed out from within the Bakudan was voluminous meat, and after which the meat juice flowed out.

Also, I do not know what kind of meat juice it is, but it is something that is richer than ordinary meat juice which filled the entirety of my mouth.

The more I chew, the more the meat juice got mixed with the Dashi and the meat gradually swelled in size.

I guess the meat used is from some monster that does not exist on Earth. I do not remember eating meat whereby each time you chew, the meat and the juice get mixed which makes the meat swell.

The juice that is about to overflow from my mouth, I wonder how was it packed inside that bite-size Manjuu? What's more, without causing the juice to flow out.

Well, if I understood it, the business will be no more.

Thinking this and that, the meat that was swollen slowly began to turn soft. And, I swallowed just like that.

Thinking about it; the swelling meat, mixing with the juice which made it soft and swallowing it like that.

"Aaaaah, it was good."

After finishing eating it, I was satisfied.

After eating something delicious, one will feel marvelous

While thinking of such things, I got worried for Rurune and turned to her.

"Rurune how wa————"

"Ah, Master, amazing desu! It is so good that it made all the hay I ate till now taste like weed!

"I-I see."

It seems like somehow or another, Rurune likes this Bakudan.

What the hell, is this fine even though you are a donkey…..?

“if you liked it that much, want me to buy another?”

“Se-seriously!? Then please!”

Moreover, thus, I for the sake of Rurune went to buy another Bakudan again.

As expected, it is so dangerous much like its word’s meaning.

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“Master! Next time, let’s eat that!”

“Rurune-san?”

“Ahhh, but leaving that food behind is hard…

“Oiii, Rurune-saaan”

“Master, What should I do?”

“Un, first hear me out!”

After Rurune had eaten the Bakudan, she seemed to have gotten entranced by human food. Thus, from a while back, we walked through the streets looking at the stalls. I am full to the point where I do not think I can put anything more in my stomach. However Rurune was far from getting full, her appetite increased.

Furthermore, since I am getting tsukkomi-ed by Rurune the donkey,

people are looking at me quizzically. Well, a conversation between a donkey and a human; to the onlookers, that person would certainly be labeled nothing but a weirdo.

Rurune's appetite is amazing, the people around us are looking at us with strange eyes….. my Luck stats, where did I lose them? As I was thinking about it while walking.

"N? That is……"

Suddenly, a pair of a woman and a man come into sight. If you looked properly, a group of curious onlookers had gathered around them.

I do not have recollections of that man, but for the woman, I clearly remember her.

"Are? Isn't she the one who sold me the painting?"

Yeah, the painting I bought in this town, was from this woman.

……For what I can see, there seems to be a quarrel.

"Rurune, just a moment?"

"Ah, that food called Bakudan was delicious, but this crepe dessert as well….."

This ass is hopeless. Let's leave her here and go over.

I leave Rurune in the middle of the street and head to the girl just like that. The pedestrians are looking at Rurune with weird eyes, but that is

none of my concern.

As I get closer to the girl, I was able to hear the contents of the conversation.

"Artists should be more creative. Therefore, one must exceed the imagination of the ordinary man. Based on that, there is nothing great about your art and everything seems so mundane. Therefore, it is boring!"

"I-I only paint what I want! I have no reason to follow your opinion!"

"Such a waste. With that much artistic ability, you could have drawn a much more wonderful painting!"

"….Eto, are you making fun of my art? Alternatively, praising it?"

"I do not know!"

"…..Eee……"

…. Are they doing comedy? I think they were arguing at the start…….

Hearing their conversation. I think so instinctively.

The people around them guess that a quarrel will probably not start and left with relieved looks on their face. ……They were all worried as well.

As I, who was baffled about their conversation get closer, the girl notices me.

"Oh, you!"

"N? You are….."

The man too, after the girl noticed me, turned his line of sight to me.

Taking a close look, the man has excessively pomp with a little frizzly hair and brown eyes. IKEMEN. (Rumashi's fav). Age wise, he might be a little younger than me.

After such an analysis, the girl came running towards me.

"Thank you very much for that time! Nothing is selling at all. Just when I was thinking of giving up and stop selling, you came and bought one of them which motivated me!"

"I did not have that kind of intention..... but it is a really good painting. I am also grateful to you as well."

While I am still alive, the chance to get moved by a painting by chance are scarce. So with that, it is thanks to my high luck stats.

After I have such a conversation with the girl, the boy spoke.

".....I was listening to your conversation, and you had bought her painting?"

"Eh? Ah, it was a good picture."

"Then, have you bought my pictures before?"

"No, I did not."

With my answer, the boy's eyes widened.

"Ba-baka!?"You did not buy the painting painted by me!?"

“Iya, there is no reason to be so surprised……In the first place, I do not know you……”

After answering it honestly, the boy *futto* laughed while sweeping his hair back. He is an Ikemen, so it is cool.

“I am very surprised that you do not know me….This must be fate. Allow me to introduce myself to you. I am Clay Berger. The eldest son of Berger Marquis. Seeker of the Arts! It is a pleasure to meet you.”

“I am Mei Cherry. Etto….. Thank you so much for buying my art!”

Clay who introduced himself with a strange pose, and Mei, who bowed politely, showed several contrasting meaning

When it comes to Mei, when she bowed her dog ears *Piku Piku* twitched, it’s so cute.

“I am Seiichi. Well, I had bought the painting from Mei, I do not know about Clay’s art. I am sorry.”

“ Fumu…… From your name, you are from the East?”

The East came out again. Well, it is convenient, so it is fine.

“Well, from that place.”

Hearing my appropriate reply, Clay nodded once.

“Fine…… Seiichi, why don’t I especially give you one of my paintings!”

“Eh no, I do not especially want it…..”

“Saa, Do not act so reserved and take it!”

My words were ignored, and Clay forcibly passed me a painting.

I reluctantly received the painting. Seeing what was painted there, I became speechless.

…… What is this? This weird Deja Vu feeling……

“I will ask just in case…… What’s this?”

The painting I received from Clay, was just a triangle drawn on a big canvas. There is no color at all; Just a triangle. When Mei peeped at the painting that I received, her face cramped.

“Can’t you tell by looking? This paint is, [at sunset, looking at the setting sun, the maiden thinking about him]”

“I cannot see that at all!”

No matter how you look at it, isn’t this just a triangle!? Besides, I will be able to agree more if you tell me it’s an Oden’s fishcake!?

Furthermore, now that I think about it I feel like I’ve seen this painting style somewhere… when Mei bought this in the plaza, it was the art sold in the plaza didn’t really change! During the time as well, I couldn’t understand what was drawn on it!?

“I lost to this kind of painting…”

Mei, who was beside me, was stricken with the cruel truth…!

We-Well. Mei's art is certainly excellent, and I am deeply moved by it. However, if you say it's common, there are certainly some aspect of it being common..

As though he heard Mei's murmur, Clay suddenly pose a question.

"Mei, How long since have you started painting art?

"Eh? Etto… About 1 year."

Considering from the point where she has 1 year of drawing experience, I think it's really fabulous.

But hearing Mei's words, Clay started laughing loudly.

"Hahaha! It can't be helped even if you lose to me!. You are a novice. Certainly, I have my eyes set on your drawing ability. But, I am a genius that surpasses your ability!"

"Then, how long did Clay started painting?"

"3 months!"

"Aren't you more of a novice than her!"

But this is certainly crazy! Can he really draw a sellable art in 3 months? I do not want to admit it, but he is definitely a genius…!

As I was pondering of such things, Clay seems discontented with my tsukkomi and frowned.

“Seiichi… From awhile back you seemed to have said quite a bit to ridicule me…. Do you know how to draw.”

“Un. Well, if it’s the same as Clay’s art, I certainly believe that I am able to draw as well.”

First of all, that art that I felt are well painted, done by famous people I know are definitely an art that cannot be painted by novices.

However, as for Clay’s art, even I believe I am able to paint it.

With that, Clay suddenly passed me a brush and a piece of paper.

“If you say to this extent, show me your painting! Saa, draw it for me!”

While I thought of it being troublesome, leaving as it is certainly will result in my comments being lip service, so I can’t help but take the brush and paper and start painting.

Well, even though I am painting, I just changed Clay’s art a little and just painted a square.

“Hora, it’s done.”

Clay, who received the painting from me, looks at it with a serious expression. Behind him, Mei was peeking at the art and after confirming the square drawn on the paper, she frowned.

But, Clay was the only one that is different.

“W-we just have to do it right….”

Are you kidding me!?

I thought so too, but isn't this just horrible!? Because it is a square? There is no colour or anything attached to it! Not to mention, the lines are not even drawn using a ruler, it is so messed up!?

"Seiichi… do you want to become my disciple?"

「Stop! Any more of this, my HP will be shaved!」

Although it's a half-hearted painted art, I didn't expect it to be evaluated to this extent! For this reason, it's too embarrassing!"

When I concealed my unintentional reading face with my hands, Clay gave a single cough.

"Kohon. We-Well, I just want to evaluate your art. It's a regret, but it seems like you have the ability as well."

"….. Please stop it…"

"Nevertheless! The one who will win the【Kyarasuti art competition】this time, the round will go to me! Mei, Seiichi, You two are certainly strong, but nevertheless, I am a genius!"

"Kyarasuti….."

"Art Competition?"

Mei, who does not seem to know the words that Clay talked about, tilts her head in puzzlement just like me.

When we do that, Clay who looks at our expression become surprised.

“Oya? You two don’t know about it? There is this race the【Royal Capital Cup】being held at the Royal Capital this time, isn’t it? After the race, it will be exhibited, and it’s the largest art competition in Einberg kingdom. The art pieces being exhibited at Einberg kingdom. Suppose that you win the competition, it will have a great influence to the extent where you will be famous throughout the whole world as a famous artist. This competition is a place where throughout the world, only ingenious artists like me will gather and attend it. If one is to be an artist, it is a dream to try participating in it even just once.

“ I see.”

Seiichi does not seem to be an artist so it’s probably a related conversation to you. …. But, Mei isn’t participating no?

“… Such an awesome competition, it does seem likely for amateurs like me to take part in it.”

“There is no need to worry about things like “experience.” There is no particular requirement for participating. As long as you have the ability, one will be able to participate in the competition.

I see. Therefore, someone like Clay who is more amateur than Mei is participating in it.

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Understanding on his own accord; Clay, with a nod, enquire me.

“This is my guess but isn’t Seiichi, in front of the one who is participating in the Karasuti Competition, planning to take part in the Royal Capital Cup? I believe that artistic ability of yours is regrettable but judging from your appearances, you are an adventurer?”

“Ahh…Certainly, I am an adventurer. But there are no plans to participate in the Royal Capital Cup, I guess.”

When I answered in that matter, a surprised expression floated on Clay’s face.

“Really? Every year, the overall champion’s rewards are wonderful. Also, even if it’s the 2nd place or the 3rd place, if one were to be an adventurer, they will obtain weapons or items where anyone will wish for it. Therefore, I believe it’s beyond doubt that you will participate in it.”

“Ehh… But even so, I don’t think I wish for weapons as for now.”

“Seriously? (Lies?) …Ahh, speaking of which, the content of the rewards has already been released for the 5th price to the 10th price. Do you know?”

“No, I do not know.”

“Not me as well.”

When Mei and I as well, meekly inform that we do not know, with a single nod, Clay explains it to us. Adriana is also someone of the same impression, but Clay is a nice lad. However being a noble, he had that image where he will look down on others unconditionally.

“From the 10th place to the 6th place, the necessary superior recovery medicines, difficult to obtain【Elixir of Life】which replenished your strength, magical power and heal your injuries which are necessary for adventurers. If you wish to buy them, they require a huge sum of money.... As for the 5th place Prize, it seems like you will receive a huge phantom fish……【Bahamut】.

“Bu!?”

Ba-Bahamut?! Although I do not know the details, that sort of prize can be easily obtained ?!

The name of this Phantom even exists on Earth!? Perhaps, the Earth’s Bahamut and this world’s Bahamut are totally different things?

No, Clay certainly said that it’s a phantom huge/gigantic huge as well. Considering that, what are the rewards for the 4th place and above?! Although I don’t think that I particularly want them, it does not mean I am curious about what are the rewards for the overall champion!

Furthermore, in the 6th place and so on, the【Elixir of Life】seems like it has excellent effectiveness as well!?

I who made light of the horse race is shocked by the level of prize one could get in the race.

After which, Mei, who is also surprised as well, raise her doubts to Clay.

“Etto…. How was the Bahamut being obtained? According to what I know, even if it’s A class adventurers, it is being classified as a dangerous monster….”

Although I do not know the details, when the king of this country went for discussion with other countries, they discovered it by chance swimming in the huge lake. One of the 2 great knights that the country boasts,≪Sword Knight Knight・Obu・Sword≫ Ruiesu sama subjugated it. In addition to that, in an instant.

“I don’t quite understand but it’ so cool.”

Gassur has also said it as well. It seems like the 2 great knights are a cheat existence. What about me? I am what the humans call, a monster. My tears are flowing but don’t worry about it.

“Well, in any case, I heard that you can receive that Bahamut.”

“No, even if I received it, I will be troubled?”

After receiving that huge fish, what shall I do with it? Take care of it?

Clay gave an answer that was different from what I had imagined.

“What are you talking about? Eat it.”

“Ahh, Eat it!”

I had not thought about it…!

I do not have the choice of eating the monster that even I do know the name. If it is that great of that animal, I guess there is naturally no way to raise it. That kind of aquarium fishes like Arowana. Are those eatable as well?

Suddenly realizing that I was worried about trivial stuff, Clay closes his eyes as though he was trying to recall things and said.

“ I had tasted Bahamut just once…. It is in at the pinnacle of the fine arts. Honestly speaking, I have not tasted any fish that tastes better than that.”

Hee… Since it is coming from Clay who is a noble, it must be tasty. It seems like nobles usually eat lots of delicious food. I probably want to try eating it.

During the moment when I thought of that.

“Master. Let’s eat it! Bahamut!”

“Uwoh?! Since when?!”

Rurune, who was left there till now, draws close to me when I did not notice it.

“Hmm? Seiichi, this donkey is?”

“Eh? Ahh. This is Rurune. I had just bought her today, but I guess she is a friend that will travel with me from now on?”

“Ehh! Rurune chan? Comparative to a donkey, she has superb looks.

Mei, who is a beast man, seemingly have an interest in Rurune and approach her to caress her.

At first, I was worried if she will be kicked just like Baruzasu in the Monster’s store. But it seems like females are fine.

That is nothing to be worried about, but I who noticed Rurune’s previous words quietly inquired her to prevent Clay and Mei from noticing it.

“Rurune. Did you say that you want to eat Bahamut?”

“Yeah! If there exist such delicious food, there is no reason not to eat it, is there.”

“No, I guess I want to eat it as well….”

“Also, I do not have my first group work with Master yet! I believe that’s appropriate for us?”

“Yeah. The word Group work is somewhat wrong?”

While having such a Tsukkomi, I guess I will try to participate in it a little. Since it’s a fact that I as well have that interest in the Bahamut.

“Clay. I am interested in the taste of that Bahamut, so I guess I will try

participating in it."

"Really? I don't quite understand but, if that's the case, isn't it better to quickly do your registration? If you go back to the Monster Store where you bought the donkey earlier, I believe you will be able to register. However, I understand that today is the deadline for the registration."

"Is that so? Then I will return now quickly to do the registration."

"But, I believe getting 5th place is difficult with a donkey…."

With a bitter smile, Clay commented.

On the other hand, Rurune in words where only I can understand declared proudly.

" Fun! That dude doesn't know my strength so he is saying in the manner. Master, please do not worry. This Rurune has confidence in her legs. I will definitely not lag behind other horses!"

"First of all, Donkeys don't talk."

"Well, I can understand Seiichi is not participating in the Arts Competition and participating in the Royal Cup. And? Mei. What will you do?"

Mei, who was being questioned by Clay, answered seemingly dejected (lack of confidence).

Even if someone like me were to enter the competition, the result is certain. Clay-san is a genius unlike me, so you will probably win…."

"I do not deny that I am a genius but I think you are over underestimating yourself too much. There are people who also started challenging the Royal Cup recklessly. Isn't there meaning in trying to

participate in it ?”

“Oi Kora”

What’s reckless. Reckless. It’s a brave challenge. Don’t make such a mistake.

Even after receiving words of encouragement from Clay, Mei’s expressions darken.

“But even so…”

Well, Certainly if one were to just sell that piece of art in the plaza, one will lose their confidence.

Even if you draw as you like, if those arts aren’t bought by anyone, it is the same as not getting acknowledged at all.

Looking at Mei whose is casting her eyes down, Clay let out a sigh.

“Well, if you were not to participate in the competition, it is also one of your choices. It’s just that my rivals will decrease by one. Well, the only winning will only be me!

Where the hell did he obtain his confidence from? In spite of drawing at the same level as me.

While being amazed by Clay’s words, I inquired the downcasted Mei.

“Although I am unsure how does Mei views her own art, I really like your art. Therefore, I bought it. Also, I believe getting more recognised/evaluated is fine as well. Therefore, if you have such a chance, why not try challenging it once?”

"… I understand that as well, but…"

"As expected, you do not have any confidence…"

To my enquiry, Mei gave a small nod.

I had thought of it as well during the time I bought the art. But, she is a timid girl. Since that's their personality, I guess it would end up like that.

However, as for me who really like Mei's painting, I wish to give her confidence.

What can I do…

When I am troubled by the method to let Mei regain her self-confidence, I hit upon an ingenious idea.

"OH! Clay. Regarding the Kyarasuti Art Competition, when is the deadline for the registration?

"Ng? It's about 1 week after the closure of the Royal Cup. Art that is drawn till now is fine as well as new pieces. The competition will start 1 month after the deadline for the registration has passed."

"If that's the case, I will definitely obtain my objective Bahamut in the Royal Cup."

"Eh?"

"Clay had mentioned earlier, but he had clearly said that it's impossible for a donkey to obtain the 5th prize. Obtaining the 5th prize under such

extreme circumstances, don't you think it's cool?"

"That's definitely cool."

"For that reason, I will definitely show results and obtain the 5th prize. If I do so, won't Mei have more confidence in herself?"

"Ahh…"

Even though Mei tends to create well-appraised paintings, she just doesn't have the self-confidence.

If that's the case, "If I were to do things that are thought to be impossible, won't Mei have more self-confidence in herself" or so the proposal is.

It is a plan to push Mei's back a little from the back. Even if it's a little, it's fine for I wish to have more confidence in herself.

When I was thinking about it, Clay *futto* smile.

"This is interesting. Mei, I, as well wish to see your painting at the competition. I request from you. The art that you had freely drawn. Prove to me that your painting is definitely not boring!"

"Clay-san…"

I don't quite understand but somewhat or another Clay is saying that he recognises Mei's painting. Although Clay's paintings are so original that I can't keep up with them.

Mei who was being pushed forward by Clay and my words hung her head in shame for a short while but before long she showed a determined look.

“…I understand. I am not sure where I stand now but …. I will try challenging it!”

“I see! As one would expect, you are an artist that I recognised!”

“Master, I don’t quite understand but, we will definitely get the Bahamut!”

Clay and Mei mutually as an artist will bring each other to greater heights. Setting the Bahamut, the delicacy fish that Rurune have not tasted as a goal.

After this, both Clay and Mei will paint paintings for the competition. I sent both of them off respectively and returned back to the Monster shop and did the registration for the Royal Cup.

During that time, Baruzasu with a shocked look surfacing on his face, and next laughing at the impossible feat of Rurune getting the 5th prize got a kick in the stomach and flew. That is a story for another day.

And, the rapid development leading to the Royal Cup tomorrow is trivial…. Or not.

… I, will be able to obtain the prize peacefully? I suddenly felt uneasy.